

President's Commission on the Status of Women
Thursday, May 9, 2013
Anderson Hall Room 21
11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Committee Chair Stephanie Jacques called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Committee Introductions

In attendance were: Stephanie Jacques, Jen Schlegel, Ann Marie Treinen, Dave Stewart, Beverly Earles, Brian Niehoff, Mary Todd, Melissa Linenberger, Karen Low, Michele Janette, Mary Tolar, and Patricia Ackerman via teleconference.

Subcommittee Reports

Lactation Stations -- and now changing stations... The committee agrees with the need for child changing tables across campus and proposes family friendly bathrooms (male/female with a changing table) be included in all new buildings constructed on campus. Brian Niehoff was able to confirm with Ruth Dyer and Cindy Bontrager that both family friendly bathrooms and lactation stations are now on the building requirements list for all new construction. Adding changing tables into existing restrooms campus-wide, and lactation stations into existing buildings, are retained as future committee goals.

Family Leave -- The committee had proposed a meeting to be hosted here at K-State for all regents' universities to discuss the need for a family leave program and other issues frequently handled by this committee. To assist with receiving approval and funding for such a meeting Stephanie Jacques created a draft proposal of goals and outcomes to be achieved. The committee reviewed and offered change suggestions and Stephanie will be presenting the final result to Noel Schulz.

Professional Development Fund -- We received and funded 11 applications this semester. Stephanie Jacques will request additional funds from the President's Office for next year. Minor modifications will be made to the application materials for next year and the deadline for the next round of applications will be October 15, 2013. Information about the program and the types of applications that received funding will be posted in K-State today and on the PCSW website.

Educational Outreach -- The next round of posters are printed and hung. A campus-wide check will be done in the fall to ensure they are still up with a changeover to the next poster to occur around October 2013.

Committee Chair

This will be Stephanie Jacques's last year as committee chair. If you are interested in being chair next year please email Stephanie at sjacques@ksu.edu with any inquiries.

Annual Report

It is time to draft our annual report to President Schulz. Topics proposed as relevant to the report include: Lactation and changing stations, the Professional Development program, the new website and email, and our developing network of contacts with other Regents' universities in regards to Family leave. Stephanie will draft the report and send it to the committee for review.

Adjournment

Committee Chair Stephanie Jacques adjourned the meeting at 11:50 pm

Respectfully submitted by Jen Schlegel