

## Presidential Committee on the Status of Women

Fall 2013

Minutes from October 1<sup>st</sup> meeting

1. Introductions
2. Review of Charge
3. Summary of Recent Projects
  - a. lactation rooms on campus
  - b. survey of women's safety issues on campus
  - c. development of travel fund for classified and unclassified staff
  - d. website development
  - e. discussion: the possibility and logistics of benefit changes such as increased family leave
4. Current Issues and Goals:
  - a. There is a need to develop an organizational structure so as to help transition from one year to the next. Such a system would provide continuity and institutional memory.
  - b. Stephanie Bannister raised the question as to why the Committee is not being represented in the upcoming climate survey at KSU. The committee agreed that this issue should be looked into and addressed at the next meeting.
  - c. The need to improve engagement with student body was discussed. Members brainstormed ideas on how to solicit student feedback regarding committee projects.
  - d. One goal that has been identified for this semester is to increase marketing and communication. Possible modes of communication with women on campus could include social media, website, K-State Today Communication, developing marketing materials, and a closer partnership with the Women of K-State organization.
5. Goals for next meeting: invite a speaker from Women of K-State to our meeting in order to discuss how the Committee and Women of K-State can better support one another.