Women’s Studies Advisory Council  
Mtg: Jennings Room, Library  
MINUTES for 4/4/07

**Present:** Trudy de Goede, Darleen Mitchell, Linda Van Ingen, Stan Lightner, Janice Fronczak, Sarah Elger (student rep), Rachael Broadwell (student rep), Abby Kovanda (Women’s Center rep)

**Absent:** Nyla Khan, Kerry Beldin (on leave), Jeanne Butler, Glen Powell, Beth Wiersma, Cynthia Lightner, Deborah Murray, Liz Peck, Kate Benzel (on leave), Diane Wysocki (on leave), Carol Lilly (on leave)

Meeting was called to order at 4:10pm. This is the last WSAC mtg for the academic year.

1. March Minutes for 3-7-07 were reviewed. While there was a quorum at the March mtg, the Minutes cannot be forwarded to Faculty Senate until approved. Since there is not quorum at this mtg, de Goede will initiate an email vote for approval for the March minutes, then she will forward them to Faculty Senate.

2. Assessment: reminder to faculty to collect the data

3. Women’s History Month:
   a. The faculty-staff club went well
   b. 3 films were shown to a student audience of about 8 people each time
   c. No Limits at UNL: Sarah Elger, Rachael Broadwell, Makiko Nakaya attended, presenting, displaying art, and observing for UNK’s conference next year.

4. Governance Document with Revisions from 3/20/07
   a. Some discussion and agreement that revisions reflected suggestions from 3/7/07 mtg.
   b. It was agreed that a quorum was present to vote on the Gov Doc if emailed votes from Beth Wiersma and Glenn Powell were counted (Linda Van Ingen –first; Janice Fronczak –2nd)
   c. Darleen Mitchell moved that we vote in favor of the Gov Doc; Stan Lightner seconded. All in favor 6/6 (including the 2 emails voting in support of the document); none opposed.
   d. Clarification: Women’s Center rep will be selected by the Women’s Center.

5. No Limits 2008 (UNK)
a. Theme discussion: Informal vote of approval given for the theme “Transnational Feminism” (Janice Fronczak first; Darleen Mitchell 2nd; all in favor; none opposed)
b. Discussion w/ student reps about ideas for the conference and this theme:
   i. Thailand trip will fit well with this theme
   ii. International students can be encouraged to participate
   iii. Challenge assumptions about third world/underdeveloped nations
   iv. Dr. Sangeeta Ray was suggested as a return speaker
   v. International food can be part of the program!
   vi. Musician Laura Pelan would fit the theme – Darleen Mitchell will look into this once again; Janice Fronczak will check again about the Fine Arts theater availability
   vii. Set up a Career/Graduate Table for WS with contact info from Graduate Schools. Rachael Broadwell said she’d be willing to do the research for this
   viii. Send flyers to other schools outside of Nebraska; expand regional student base for No Limits
   ix. Fundraising activities can include a raffle (quilt?)
   x. Used book sale at the conference with WS/Gender books?
c. Student reps shared observations/suggestions from their participation at UNL’s No Limits:
   i. Booths included info from ACLU, LWV, Planned Parenthood, Ten Thousand Villages
   ii. SAGE: student group at UNL putting together a journal (hand written) that is student-centered
   iii. Tote bags or folders?
   iv. UNL is now offering a new minor in LBGT studies
   v. Video – Don Ray?

6. Other business:
   a. New Director position is in process; Van Ingen is awaiting formal letter of acceptance
   b. de Goede is looking into a Service Learning Component for WS Minors
   c. Jean Mandernach (Psychology) is developing an on-line course for Psychology/Feminist Research
   d. WSAC extended thanks to Trudy de Goede for serving as Interim Director!

The mtg was adjourned at 5pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Van Ingen
4/6/07