OCW Nov. 14, 2013, Minutes

Members present
Pamela Morris
Sharie Brunk
Michelle Stertz
Maureen Wilson
Kjerstin Lang
Melissa Bingham
Sharon Hamilton
Teri Talpe
Karmin Van Domelen
Brenda Leahy
Shelle Gholson
Sue Lee
Ingrid Iverson
Kate Russell
Jaralee Richter

OCW President Teri Talpe started the meeting with the approval of the Oct. 18, 2013, minutes.

Pamela Morris gave the Treasurer’s Report. She made a $30 (membership money) deposit to the SFO account. She also has several items on the SFO 2320 document in parentheses waiting for a confirmation of the expenses and/or money to deposit: Girl Rising Poster: $25 expense; Sodexo-Catering for Membership Social: $80.20 expense; YWCA Tribute two tickets: $110 expense.

Membership Chair Melissa Bingham reported that she had deposited $30-$40 from the Coffee Clutch membership drive. Pam requests in the future for anyone depositing money to inform her so that she knows and is able to update the Google Doc OCW Budget. OCW Secretary Sue Lee has been given access to view the document for the minutes. The Cookie Off money will go into the scholarship fund.

There was discussion regarding the YWCA Tribute ticket expense. Previously the Chancellor’s and Provost’s offices have funded a table for OCW members to attend the YWCA Tribute Banquet. This year, after OCW had filled the table with members, Joe Gow asked that two tables be reserved from him and a guest. With this in mind, Jaralee Richter and Kjerstin Lang were willing to give up their seats. A last-minute decision was made to purchase two tickets for them to attend.

Maureen Wilson requested that in the future unexpected costs be emailed to the OCW Steering Committee for approval.

OCW members attending the YWCA Tribute this year include: Jaralee Richter, Kjerstin Lang, Jenifer Holman, Corinne Rheineck, Amy Sloan, Maureen Spencer, Pamela Morris and Karmin Van Domelen.

WWHEL – Ingrid Iverson attended the WWHEL leadership conference Oct. 23 & 24 in Green Bay. Ingrid reported that it was a good conference, she met people from throughout the UW-System, the speakers were great and the space was good. She highly recommends that others attend in the future. The Provost Office pays for all expenses.

Membership Chair Melissa Bingham reported that there was no update on the membership.

Karmin Van Domelen reported that we have the desired seven teams signed up to compete in the Cook-ie Off and that there was a lot of enthusiasm. The teams are: HR, IT, Murphy Library, Diversity & Inclusion, Upward Bound, Student Support Services and Communication Studies. The Cook-ie Off will be held from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, in the Cameron Hall of Nations, Centennial Hall.
Each of the teams has to sell 10 tickets to those who want to taste and judge the cookies. Tickets are $5 each. Shelle Gholson said that she has already sold a lot of tickets through Human Resources. Karmin has ordered beverages and is waiting for the price on milk. She will also retrieve the Golden Spatula from the CBA for the cookie that receives the most votes. It was also suggested that we make certificates to be given to best theme and prettiest cookie. Although OCW has not openly stated that the cookies should be homemade, it was discussed that purchasing store bought cookies was not in the spirit of the event.

UW-L’s next Morale Retreat runs from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19, in Valhalla, Cartwright Center-Gunning Addition. Teri has provided a slide representing OCW for the video display at the event. OCW will also provide a Cook-ie Off ticket as a door prize.

Jaralee Richter reported on the OCW Book Club. The book club is reading “One Thousand White Women — The Journals of May Dodd” by Jim Fergus. The group was originally scheduled to meet from 4-5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, in Murphy’s Mug. That date has been changed to 4:15 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, in the Murphy Mug area. The book club is open to all members of the campus community. Sue Lee will include information in the next Campus Connection. Teri will send out a reminder to the OCW membership. Jaralee will try to get information onto the digital screens for the book club in the future.

Sharie Brunk updated the group on the OCW Scholarship. The deadline for students to apply for scholarships is Feb. 15, 2014. The Financial Aid website scholarship page (http://www.uwlax.edu/finaid/scholarships.html) provides all the details on how to apply and details on scholarships.

Karmin reported on the Holiday Social scheduled from 11:15 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12, in the Cameron Hall of Nations, Centennial Hall. Karmin has completed the necessary catering forms for it and the Cookie-Off. OCW cannot bring anything hot, anything with mayonnaise, and no crock pots. We can bring cookies, baked items, chips, pretzels, fruit and vegetable trays, and cheese. Karmin has contacted Gary Walth to get carolers to come to the social in addition to the Child Care Children. She is getting door prizes. Sue Lee will check to see if the University Bookstore will donate items. Karmin will also send invitations to administration. She will have a Google Document to sign up to bring food and a Google Document for items that we can collect to donate to the Humane Society. Pam will take the items to the Human Society. Members can take items they collect to Pam’s Office. Jaralee will provide a basket of used books to be given as a door prize. Let Jaralee know if you have books to donate or drop them off in Jaralee’s office. Karmin will organize beverages.

The baby shower for Kjerstin will be held from noon-1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, at the Common Ground. Kjerstin is due to deliver a girl on Dec. 28 and has registered for gifts at Target. Teri, Karmin, Sue and Pamela will meet to finalize plans.

Kate Russell will work with Maren Walz to update the OCW Website. The group suggested having the landing page be friendlier with a streamlined version of who we are and what we do and include a group photo. We will use Facebook to post photos so that we can update the photos more easily. Email Kate by no later than Dec. 1 with any other suggested changes or corrections. Kate hopes to provide a preview of the site when we meet in December.

Teri and others updated the group on the SSP Breakfast. The event went well and OCW was mentioned at the breakfast. OCW will provide one meal a month starting in February to the SSP class.

Teri said that Becky Yoshizumi has several OCW items that Teri will put in the Area Resource Center in Murphy Library. OCW started in 1971.
Our **December meeting** is scheduled for **11 a.m.-noon Friday, Dec. 13**, in 2200 Centennial Hall.
Respectfully submitted by OCW Secretary Sue Lee, slee@uwlox.edu, 785.8497