UW-La Crosse  
Organization of Campus Women  
Meeting Minutes  
March 13, 2014


Talpe called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. in room 2200 Centennial.

Minutes from 2/13/14 were corrected in paragraph 4 to read “We will apply the $500 WWHEL grant that we received last fall 2013 towards the 2014 Spring Symposium.”

MSP to approve corrected minutes.

Announcements:
- Membership Chair Melissa Bingham had her baby boy Grant early this week. We will send Melissa a collective card congratulating her and wishing her and Grant our best wishes.
- Teri would like to host an end of semester party in May. Babies are welcome.

Monthly Reports
- **Treasury**: Morris reported that everything is in order. She would like to pursue the idea of having one account instead of two in order to avoid confusion in the future. In the meantime, Morris asks that anyone who is ordering something for an event to let her know which account they are using.
- **Scholarships**: Brunk and Wilson reported that the scholarship process is going well. There are 36 applicants this year. The committee will be kept informed of future dates when they will come together to choose award winners. Any questions should be addressed to Sharie Brunk or Maureen Wilson.
- **Spring Symposium**: Talpe reported that she met with Shelle Gholson and guest speaker Dr. Ariel Beaujot to prepare the Symposium. Beaujot’s talk title is *10 Objects that Changed the World (and One that Changed Wisconsin)*. Her teaser is: “Part of the way we demonstrate who we are to one another is through what we buy; what we wear, our choices in food, even what coffee shops we frequent, can provides clues as to our values and our personalities. But have you ever thought about how our daily consumption of food, clothing, and shelter is part of a long commodity chain that links us to world history?” In her talk Beaujot will address how the things that are in the background of our daily lives have been involved in wars, revolutions, women’s emancipation, and even slavery.” Reminder that the Spring Symposium will be held Wednesday, April 23 in the Hall of Nations. Doors open at 11:30, talk starts at 12:00. A $5.00 participation will be asked and an RSVP one week before. Talpe and Gholson are working on publicity with Beaujot, and will speak with Van Domelen for food orders. Creative table centerpieces made of the different objects featured in the talk will be investigated.
- **SSP meals**: Talpe reported that the SSP group greatly appreciated the meal and presence offered by the OCW members who had signed up for our first monthly meal. The next meal is scheduled for March 25, participating members should refer to the meal schedule for details, changes, or other modifications.
- **Book Club**: Jaralee Richter announced via email that the next book club meeting has been scheduled for Friday, April 4 at noon in Murphy’s Mug. The book is *The Kitchen House* by Kathleen
Grissom. The book for summer will be *Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Teri Talpe
3/13/14