



## Women's Committee Minutes – July 18, 2007 Blake Conference Room

### **Present:**

Diane Adams, Ellen Bailey, Valerie Caron, Britt Raubenheimer, and Sheri White

### **Guests Attending:**

Henrietta Dulaiova

### **Absent:**

Julie Fawkes, Dana Gerlach, Alison Macdonald

### **Treasurer's Report:**

We have \$370.12 in the discretionary fund and \$696.09 in the general fund. We're still 'ahead' in terms of the budget compared to last year.

### **Review of Past Events:**

- *Annual Dinner.* The seminar went well. The speakers drew in approx. 45 for dinner and 20 for the reception. Two cases of wine and two beers were consumed. Future speakers should be chosen for a general audience and can be from the WH community at large.
- *Linda Morse Porteous Award.* Excellent slate of candidates applied. An email to the department administrators helped find more candidates. To improve the nomination process, some changes to the nomination form were suggested and the form will be available on the new website.

### **Upcoming Events:**

- *Education Scholarship.* Past deadlines August 31<sup>st</sup>. We'll contact Julia to start the process.
- *Annual Election.* Elect three staff and one student member. Ellen will request a set of labels for a labeling party on Aug 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup>. Announcements in headlines 2 Thursdays before the ballots are due (Aug 31<sup>st</sup>).
- *Fall Seminars.* Possibly co-sponsor a visit by Sunita Williams. Brainstorm ideas for next meeting.

### **Postdoctoral Representative Report:**

No issues were raised. The Postdoctoral Association will elect new members in September, so a new representative will be assigned to the committee.

### **Committee Reports:**

- **BAC - The Benefit Advisory Committee** met last week to discuss the upcoming health insurance renewal process.
- **Diversity Committee** - 20-30 people attended the diversity movie night. The next movie night will be in the last half of August. Woods Hole Diversity Day will be held on Aug 15<sup>th</sup> with a street fair and speakers in Lilly Auditorium.

### **Next meeting:**

August 15<sup>th</sup> at 9 am in the MRF conference room.

*Minutes submitted by Diane Adams*