



## Women's Committee Minutes – January 14, 2009 Bigelow 217

### **Members present:**

Becky Gast, Amy Kukulya, Diane Rieger, Anna McIntyre-Wressnig

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

There has been no communication from Molly Lumping regarding the status of accounts.

### **Election of officers:**

Becky will contact Julie Fawkes regarding the election results to identify an additional member for the committee to replace Emily Beaton.

### **Women's history month planning:**

- Amy said that there is a National Women's History Month website (search on Google)
- Women-themed film at Redfield movie night. Anna presented information on potential movies, including; Sophie's Shawl, a German movie telling the story of a young woman's philosophical resistance to the German Reich; Erin Brockovich; an HBO movie documenting the American women's effort to gain the right to vote; Amy mentioned Infidel, a book (movie?) documenting a woman's struggle against Islam. Once we have an idea regarding availability of these films, we'll ask the committee to vote on their preference. If no clear first choice, Anna will make the decision!
- Peanut-Butter club – Becky will contact organizers to see if they can accommodate our request to sponsor a film. Diane mentioned a recent PBS program on climate change that featured an interview with Ruth Curry. We will check on whether this would be an appropriate film.

### **Annual meeting planning:**

We continued a brief discussion on the idea of having a small panel of women scientists to talk about women in field-work. Please respond by email by Jan 21 with comments as to whether this is the direction we should go, or suggest alternatives.

### **Scholarship:**

This is the last year of the scholarship, and Becky will check with Julia Westwater regarding the timing for this year.

There was no report from the GEPAC committee.

**Next Meeting: February 11 at 9:30 a.m. in MRF 204**