

Women's Committee Meeting

November 2009

Bigelow 217, November 18th

Next Meeting: MRF 204, December 9th and 9:30am

Members: Stephanie, Rebecca, Faye, Danielle, Dina, Evie

Treasurer's Report:

\$1030 left in account (from Diane)

Buy Green, Buy Local Seminar

Scheduled for January 21st

12-2 Clark 507

Panel of people: Jesse (director of program), Karen Schwab (local farm, buying co-ops- alternative to CSAs), Diane Murphy (local shellfish), owner of Local Fish, Ron Smollowitz (possibility, more local CSAs)

Mention that WHOI gardens exist, mention about other local gardens

Ask Sustainability Committee if they want to co-sponsor

Movie: don't show at seminar, have as another event?

Women's Lounge:

Moving along...

Just paint for now (\$300), make sure paint is okay for breastfeeding women

Buying some furniture this year, use up the money

Buy a futon

Organize a photo contest, Evy will organize, put photos up on website and have a vote- just for the women

Need to clean lounge thoroughly after it is painted

A small fridge and a futon?

Lighting is good, maybe buy some lamps

Library on women's committee

Check out the room- in Clark, 3rd floor

Coffee Hour:

All set for Friday, at the library

Rebecca has placed coffee order, has tea

Someone has to pick up the bagels- 2 dozens assorted, cut into quarters + 4 assorted cream cheeses

Set up food in the reading room

Andone- bring kettle for tea water

Need a tray for the bagels, Faye will bring some trays

Evy will send announcements to the students, postdocs

Banner for women's committee events- get graphic services to do this?

Put URL for website on the banner, Dina will investigate banners

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For December meeting

Great panel: bring in women who work on ships

Image of the day: for women's history month, announcement in WHOI headlines about photos- do this in January; give Jayne a heads up now, Faye will contact Jayne; ask Ann Devenish to look in the archives; Dina will ask Ann

Slideshow of photos for the event; put photos as a slideshow- combine these two

Women from the ships: only four people on the panel, at least two women from the ships

Mitzy Crane (highest up woman on the ship), Stephanie will ask which ships are here in March, when, who is going to be around in March

Susan Humphris, Meg Tivey, Lauren Mullineaux, Cindy Sellers, Ellen Roosen

Moderator- first choice: Susan Humphris

Second choice for moderator: Lauren, Meg

Rebecca will ask Lauren

What's the theme? Think of some questions

Rebecca will talk to Cindy Sellers

Annual Dinner Speaker Ideas:

Linda Greenlaw- doesn't answer emails directly, unlikely to get her without paying, wouldn't hurt to just write and ask

Talk to Diane- able to reimburse

Judith Singer

Sunny

Sylvia Earle, contact her first, talk to Tom first about this (Danielle and Dina)

Survey about the Women's Committee:

128 responses

Joint meeting with other committees?

Share results with HR?

Share results of the survey with everyone who responded

Come up with a list of places where you can breastfeed/pump

Career and family, challenges

Women's lunch, have Women's Committee, family group- ask about concerns, on schedule for next year

When post results, announce some of what we're discussing + planning

Someone should contact committees (Danielle will do this): Work and Family Life, Diversity, GEPAC

Safety at night, mention it to the security guards

Working from home issues

Tenor clock extensions- childbirth

Approve minutes by email, put them out as soon as possible

Sick kids- get a week, is this enough with H1N1?

Come up with a list of issues from the survey for discussion with other committees

Fill tampons and sanitary pads, have a stash in the women's lounge?

Only one person who said there shouldn't be a women's committee (because there isn't a men's committee)

Men's committee? Why can't they have one?

Look over website- talk about this at next meeting