# **Members present:**

Becky Gast, Amy Kukulya, Stephanie Murphy, Diane Rieger, Alicia Rose, Ali Shaw and Kelly Rakow for Evy Mervine

### **Treasurer's Report (from Ali):**

There is a balance of about \$85 in the discretionary account that will go towards our December REMUS coffee hour. Next year, we will be assigned a new account number from Molly Lumping and we will need to fill out Request for Payment forms for each purchase.

### **Meeting schedule:**

Diane has booked meeting rooms for 2009. Becky will send committee members an updated year-at-a-glance calendar with all meeting dates and times.

#### **December coffee:**

Our next coffee will be on Wed., December 10 in the REMUS lab, hosted by Amy Kukulya. Stephanie will post the coffee in headlines, Ali will make a flier, Amy will post the event on the website and Diane will send the flier to the AP list. Amy will call Cape Cod Bagel to check prices and Stephanie will do the same for Coffee O. The day of the coffee, Becky and Diane will pick up coffee and Stephanie will pick up bagels (and a hot water kettle). All will help with clean-up.

#### **Upcoming activities:**

Women's History Month in March – we brainstormed about some potential ideas including a women-themed film and weekly Images of the Day on the WHOI website. We also discussed a few speaker ideas. Alicia will follow up with one of the potential speakers. Looking through the archives of past year's events might spark some ideas.

### **GEPAC** update (from Alicia):

Alicia updated us on the proceedings of the last GEPAC meeting, including a discussion about the possibility of combining the HR harassment training with the Chilly Climate training. The consensus from the WC is that the trainings should remain separate.

# **Post-doc updates:**

None. Kelly will get in touch with Michelle to see if she wants to continue serving on the committee or if there are volunteers from the Post-doc association to serve in the upcoming year. Pending her response, Becky will contact Janet Fields. We also want to see about getting our post-doc representative on the committee email list.

# **Next meeting:**

December 17, 2008 at 9:30 am in MRF 204 (Note the SECOND date change!!)