



The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston

Minutes for meeting held Thursday, April 9, 2009

Attendees: Terri Armstrong, Llonnda Collins, Allegra Johnson, Karen Krakower, Sheryl McCurdy, Hariyadarshi Pannu, Kathy Rodgers, Michele Stanton, and Irmi Willcockson

Excused Absences: Mary Ann Adkisson, Gina Chappell, Vicky Esse, Angel Hooper, Catherine Merriman, Karen Minich, Beverly Moore, Priya Weerasinghe

Meeting called to order at 11:40 AM by Dr. Hariyadarshi Pannu.

Carmela Bourgeois took the minutes for this meeting.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the March minutes.

Podcasts/Website

The website will be updated on a set schedule. For any information forward to Carmela Bourgeois and she will ensure the website is updated.

Ways to improve traffic on the website:

- 1st have a view count added or have some sort of report from Jennifer Canup that can show how many visitors have viewed.
- Offer signed copy of Nancy Pelosi's recent book, Know Your Power: A Message to America's Daughters.

Dr. Cheryl Perry's written speech will be obtained and placed on the website. Dr. Perry's bio will also be added.

Informally interview key women professionals (especially those nearing retirement) to document some of their experiences as vignettes. Perhaps begin with the previous CSW Chairs or DPW winners. Add as podcast to website.

Start a blog-style column to be included on the CSW website. Have a contest for the best title this blog. Offer signed copy on Nancy Pelosi's recent book, "Know Your Power: A Message to America's Daughters" as prize.

Brown Bag Meetings – Relevant Titles/Topics

a. Negotiating UTHSCH

1. Human Resources – Abusive Environment
 - Raise awareness on the grievance process.
 - Be a resource to provide general ideas, tips on how to handle a difficult person or improving communication.

- Co-host a brown bag case round meeting with UCSC, EAP, and/or HR regarding female bullying.

Brown Bag Meetings – Relevant Titles/Topics (con't)

2. Social Media – Emerging Technologies
 - Invite Office of Institutional Advancement
3. Professional Development
 - How to stay with the university and still meet your career goals
 - How to advance from your current position
 - Invite Eric Fernetto to a CSW Meeting
 - Invite someone who has successfully managed to advance positions
4. Women's Health Topics

Showcase one topic once every quarter or every six months by utilizing the researchers from Houston as speakers.

Survey

Reanalyze the survey and make concrete suggestions for changes in order to ask Dr. Charles Amos to update. Please email Dr. Pannu with suggestions.

Additional Comments/Suggestions

Every member should have a 70% attendance. If you are unable to attend please contact Carmela Bourgeois to advise.

Discuss the possible use of remaining balance from the Distinguished Professional Woman Reception for scholarships with Kathy Rodgers.

Meeting Adjourned

**Next Meeting: Thursday, May 7, 2009 from 11:30 AM – 1 PM in UCT 1726.
Lunch will be provided.**