

STAFF ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES
May 9, 2007

PRESENT

Judy Chestnut, Barbara Dessureau, Evelyne Haldimann, Ellen Levasseur, Jason Pomposelli, Jenny Provo, Amy Rodenbush, Jennifer Sanborn, Bonny Stoecklin, Connie Yoczik, Linda Zigmont

PRESIDENT REPORT

Jason Pomposelli opened the meeting at 1:09 p.m.

APRIL MINUTES/TREASURER'S REPORT

Minutes were approved. The treasurer's report had only one expense \$52.54 for helium for Community Day Balloons.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Jennifer Sanborn, Director the Women's Education and Leadership Fund, (WELFund), gave an informative overview about WELFund. WELFund was established in 2006 to foster and support University of Hartford initiatives to enhance the education of women, advance women as scholars, cultivate women's leadership skills and increase awareness about women as individuals and in communities. The fund is unusual in the fact that students, staff and faculty are all eligible to apply. In the fall 34 proposals were submitted (14 were granted) and in the spring 14 were submitted (8 were granted). In the fall, WELFund gave out \$100,000. If you go to the Welfund website (www.hartford.edu/welf/) there is a listing of accepted proposals and a brief description. If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact Jennifer Sanborn, sanborn@hartford.edu.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

BAT

Evelyne Haldimann will now be the new SA representative to the committee.

BTF/TPC

No new information to report.

OLD BUSINESS

The proposed changes Staff Handbook regarding notifying your supervisor about interviewing for university positions were given to Beverly Maksin who was very receptive to the changes. Next week Jason will be meeting with Andy Buonano to discuss the changes.

Community Day was a great success and we ran out of helium and candy. Gave out over 200 balloons in 2 hours.

Evelyn is still gathering information about a summer fieldtrip to either Boston or NYC. SA will be sending out an email survey sometime after commencement.

NEW BUSINESS

Evelyne suggested that Jason speak to Beverly Maksin about the HR Management Sessions which are not mandatory and perhaps should be.

The library is hoping to open their cyber café by fall. They are also creating CPODS – Collaborative Work Areas, ordering wide screen monitors and upgrading their MACS so that they have dual capability – windows and MAC.

Priscilla Jansen has emailed Ellen the list of students eligible for the SA Hartford Scholars Scholarship. The eboard hopes to pick the receipt at the next eboard meeting.

We will be starting to plan for the 3rd annual BBQ which will probably be the 3rd week of August and Jason is looking into dates for the Thanksgiving Luncheon.

Jennifer Sanborn suggested that we tried to get wider awareness for the SA beyond just the events we do, articles in Unotes, etc. We should also send emails about the upcoming meetings a week before the meeting.

Next Meeting will be June 13th in GSU 335E Simsbury Room.

Linda Zigmont
Recording Secretary