

**Women's Faculty Council General Meeting—Minutes
November 6, 2019 @ 2:30, Classroom Building 106B**

Attending:

Officers

Kim Loeffert, Chair

Tracy Quan, Vice Chair

Madison Chartier, Secretary

Erin Dyke, Treasurer

Awilda Rodriguez Carrion, Faculty Council Liaison

Members: Pamela Lovern

Matt Lovern

Brenda J. Smith

Shirley Evan

Kay Bjornen

Megan Macken

Sarah Milligan

Laura Talbott-Clark

Regrets: **Steph Link**, Immediate Past Chair

Guest Speaker: **Dr. Melanie Wilcox**

Agenda:

- 1) Approval of the Minutes
- 2) Announcements
- 3) Committee Reports
- 4) Unfinished Business
 - a) Inclusive language
- 5) New Business
 - a) Treasurer's report
 - b) Upcoming events
- 6) Guest Speaker
- 7) Adjournment

Approval of minutes

The minutes were approved as written.

Announcements

Tracy Quan will be leading a group on "Science at Sea."

Committee Reports

Faculty Awards

3 winners have been chosen for our inaugural WFC Faculty awards. They've not been notified yet, but they will be awarded at the year-end convocation next month.

Student Research Awards

A callout for submission reviewers will be sent out in December. The deadline for submissions is mid-February/early March.

Unfinished Business

Inclusive Language

Discussions initiated on more inclusive language regarding identity are leading to future event opportunities and considerations to generate broader discussions and panels on this topic. Kim has reached out to possible participants and collaborators, who are equally enthusiastic.

New Business

Treasurer's Report

Over \$15,000 are pledged in support from the university for our Student Research Awards. We're continuing to seek funds and donations for our awards.

Upcoming events

- December social: Iron Monk, 4-6 pm, Wednesday, December 4th
- January meeting: We will tentatively be hosting Sanaa El-Sayed, a PhD student in Vertebrate Paleontology. She will soon be the first woman to publish as first author in a scientific publication in Egypt.

Guest Speaker

Dr. Melanie Wilcox, "Understanding the Lives of Lower Socioeconomic Status Students in Higher Education"

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:30.