Oregon Chapter of AAWCC Board Meeting Minutes May 8-9, 1998

- I. V.P./Finance Position: Virginia Moskus has resigned her position as Vice President of Finance for the State Chapter. Virginia has nominated Julie Walker to replace her in the interim. Motion was made and passed to accept the nomination. This position is up for reelection this coming fall.
- II. Fall 1998 Newsletter: Items for the next issue should include an article about being a member of the National Chapter, a report on the 1998 OILD, and information about the Fall Conference.
- III. Bylaws: Time was spent in updating the Bylaws to read more simply. Motion was made and carried to delete the Purpose, as the Mission addressed this area.
- IV Current Activity: Marcia Keith, Shirley Anderson, and Miriam Castellón will meet at Rogue Community College on Thursday, May 14, to discuss AAWCC and how to become a member. Cynthia Hilden at Blue Mountain would like a visit by the board to talk about AAWCC.
- V. Region X AAWCC State Coordinator: Shirley Anderson volunteered to be the Region X AAWCC State Coordinator. The Job Duties List was distributed. Vickie Totten will be the cochair of the Region X Conference in the Spring. Lisa Tomlin and Miriam Castellón agreed to assist. (This is a president-elect responsibility which can be delegated.)
- VI. Membership Report: Dawn Dewolf distributed the 1998 Membership Directory.
- VII. Minutes of April Meeting were approved.
- VIII. Future Meeting Dates: Future Oregon Chapter of AAWCC Board meetings are Tuesday, June 30, 1998, 1-4 p.m., in Salem; Thursday, August 27, 1998, 1-4 p.m., in Salem; Wednesday, October 7, 1998, 1-4 p.m., in Salem. Board members are to confirm. Additional dates may be required.
- IX. OILD: Ellen Levine reported on the low participation rate for this year's OILD. No one from SWOCC will be attending. Room assignments are being coordinated.
- X. Fall 1998 Conference Update: Angela Ritchie distributed the AAWCC Board Update outline. The theme will be "Women in Community Colleges: Inspire, Champion, and Celebrate!" Volunteers for the various conference committees are being sought. Mission statement banners will be created. Ideally, the new logo will be included. Miriam agreed to follow-up on logo contest, to establish a criteria for logos. The winner will receive free registration to the conference or \$100.

Keynoters are needed for this conference. Resources to attain one include: Peekaboo Street and Women as Allies Consortium Web Site. Possible keynoters include: Elizabeth First, Darlene Hooley, Barbara Roberts, Diane Snowden, Nicki Harrington, Jan Mitchell (Acts of Kindness program), Molly Ivins (author of "They Can't Say that Can They?"), women who share their stories of overcoming obstacles and what getting their education at a community college meant to them (Vickie Totten knows three people who can tell their stories), and Sue Leeson.

Wednesday evening reception will provide networking opportunities for women to share experiences and solutions.

The Leaders Breakfast meetings will be in the same format.

The President's luncheon on Thursday may begin with students sharing their experiences followed by speeches from three presidents. The tables are rectangular and long so discussions with the President may be challenging. A jar with questions was suggested.

Thursday night may include dinner and a program, building a theme around the celebration. Activities may include karaoke and dancing. Lisa Tomlin volunteered to assist Angela with the Thursday evening activities. (Lisa indicated that she will talk to sister about a band called Pink Martini and contact a female D.J. with karaoke breaks.)

Friday luncheon - Vickie Totten volunteered to contact a group to perform during the luncheon.

There are so far three people who will do a breakout session. Ideas for breakout sessions include holistic/spiritual issues, stress release/yoga, organizational development, legislature, "fix-it yourself" sessions on automotive and home maintenance, mediation/conflict resolution, financial planning, and legal issues (divorce, wills, etc.). Possible facilitators include Mary Manning Morrisey, Vickie Willis, Julie Lawrence (yoga), and Leslie McCauley from PCC (automotive care).

Last year's drawing went very smoothly and the packaging was wonderful. Ideas to have during the conference include providing a book exchange area and a board to post books to recommend by each attendee. This book list can be compiled and sent to those who couldn't attend.

For closure: An activity could be a sing-a-long. Vickie volunteered to contact someone who could provide this sing-a-long.

Leadership Award - Dawn DeWolf, Artis Van Rassel, Lisa Tomlin, and Ellen Levine volunteered to serve on this committee, to develop criteria and process for the selection of the awardee. Recommendations are to be presented at the October meeting. Also, Brenda Brecke has not yet received her Leadership Award for 1995. One should be sent.

Scholarship Committee - Dawn DeWolf, Julie Walker, and Artis Van Rassell will serve. A set of criteria is in place. A \$500 maximum award total is available.

Program Committee - Miriam Castellón, Lisa Tomlin, and Vickie Totten will serve on this committee.

XI. Activities for the Next Two Years

1. Visit community colleges to share with other women issues that are important to them. Outreach to outlying campuses - ask what they would be interested in doing for women on their campus. Campuses would need to organize a breakfast or lunch meeting. The approach is to create a needs assessment.

- 2. Provide seed money to campuses to promote and/or increase membership.
- 3. Send a "we miss you" card/letter (in the Fall Newsletter?) to members who did not attend the last conference. (Things haven't been the same without you...Here is why you should rejoin.)
- 4. Send out a format of the Retreats and a list of speakers.
- 5. Do an Eastern Oregon Retreat.
- 6. Have past OILD participants design a brochure on OILD.
- 7. Publish a list of mentors with their e-mail addresses.
- 8. Design a mentoring program with the Leadership Award Committee.
- 9. Advertise/market the Web Page better. Ensure that it's used efficiently and updated regularly. Include a "hot link" to OCCA and post job openings. Seek Past President Linda Ericksen's expertise.

Next meeting is on Tuesday, June 30, 1998, in Salem.