The Clover Park Technical College Chapter of the American Association for Women in Community Colleges

General Membership Meeting

Monday, October 7, 2013, 2-3 p.m.

Building 11, Radio Station Conference Room


Call to Order

Claire Korschinowski called the meeting to order at 2:09 p.m. because Tawny Dotson was delayed due to another meeting running long.

Icebreaker

Claire began the icebreaker by asking the members to introduce themselves and share what they did over the weekend that was fun.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Claire asked the members to review the minutes and asked for any additions or corrections to the August 5, 2013, general membership meeting minutes. She called for a motion to approve the minutes. Kathi Medcalf so moved. Josie Meyer seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report

Lisa Fortson reported that currently the AAWCC chapter has $700.30 of income to be used over the course of the next year for programming and other chapter needs. There were 30 dues paying members, and one male has joined the chapter. Fifty-six individuals attended the luncheon including the two speakers. Overall the luncheon was a very successful event, well attended, and exceeded attendance expectations.

The majority of the luncheon attendees were from Clover Park. There was one individual from Tacoma Community College (TCC), two from Bates Technical College, one from Centralia Community College, one from Pierce College, and three individuals from Joint Base Lewis-
McChord. Two off-campus individuals, one from TCC and another from Bates, paid their membership. Also, there were three men who attended the luncheon.

The membership dues are $25, and anyone can join and pay the dues online at http://www.cptc.edu/aawcc using the click and pledge button. There is an option for payroll deduction splitting the dues into two payroll cycles. The membership form allows the Board to track who is a member and to create a membership distribution list. The membership dues enroll you as a member of the National AAWCC organization and the CPTC chapter.

Our chapter’s dues for the national membership was paid from the college’s marketing budget this year, and next year the national membership dues will need to come from our chapter’s budget.

Heather Ervin reported that all of the Lean In books were purchased. For those still wanting to purchase, books can be bought through Barnes and Nobles or Amazon.

Membership Update

If you know anyone who is interested in the advancement of women in community colleges, invite them to attend. Becoming a member gets individuals the recognition at the national level. Also, it gives you access to our programming series. If someone is not a member, but they are interested in attending the programming events, we will provide just like we did at the luncheon an opt-in. At a small cost, everyone gets a series-long professional development for a year and networking for connections with one another.

Kick-off Luncheon Feedback/Review

Tawny asked for feedback from the membership on how the kick-off luncheon went. From the Board’s perspective, the membership grew from zero, and the chapter raised funds that will give the members a basis for the programming moving forward. The Board is looking for information on things that could have been done better or things that we did well or things that would have made it more beneficial for everyone or things that we might not want to do again.

Comments and Suggestions:

- Good choice in speakers because both were successful and got there in a different manner. Everyone could connect with their comments.

- It was a small venue, and the attendees packed one quarter of the conference center. Every seat was taken.

- Dr. Michele Johnson suggested that she would have preferred something a little more interactive. In the future, we might want to add an element where you work at the table together, and the speaker joins your table or something along those lines.

- The luncheon had significance. It was an expense, but once per year it is a nice way to bring everyone together and give everyone a boost. We might want to invite new people.
• The idea of the future of a Pierce County chapter where we could all work together was floated to Dr. Johnson.

• The food was good, and there was a vegetarian option.

• Asking students to volunteer would help free up some of the Board members, so they could really network instead of doing behind the scenes things. Students would have an opportunity to participate and see what we are doing with the women at the college.

• During the question and answer period, it might be better to get people to ask their questions ahead of time, so the question and answer could move smoothly instead of pulling to get the questions.

Tawny voiced that the feedback that she has heard is that everyone is interested in doing a kick-off luncheon every year, and the Board will certainly take a look at that.

December 2 Program Overview

Tawny reported that the first programming event to focus on the first four chapters of the *Lean In* book will take place on December 2 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Claire volunteered to send out an Outlook calendar meeting reminder to everyone.

Tawny plans to talk with Elaine Holster about getting a couple of copies of the book on campus. Lisa called the Lakewood Library, and there are three copies available for download and forty-five in paperback or hardback for check out; however, there is like a four to six week wait list.

Tawny played the video showing Sheryl Sandberg, chief executive officer of Facebook, which started her writing the *Lean In* book. The vision of December 2, the first programming session will be an opportunity to discuss the first four chapters of the book using the discussion guide from the Lean In website. The Programming Committee will investigate bringing someone to the session that can provide a small lecture covering the topic of the session. Future sessions will allow time to slowly work through the book. After the first four chapters, there is the topic of mentoring, which is a topic that many have asked for specifically in our initial AAWCC chapter meetings.

Times for the programming sessions will be rotated between the lunch hour and 3 p.m., so faculty will have an opportunity to be involved as much as possible.

New Business

There was no new business.

Adjournment

Tawny adjourned the meeting at 2:55 p.m.