



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

General Membership Meeting

Monday, June 24, 2013, noon to 1:30 p.m.

Building 11, Radio Station Conference Room

Present: Debbie Collins, Tawny Dotson, Heather Ervin, Lisa Fortson, Sharon Freeman, Wendy Joseph, Kathi Medcalf, Patricia Lange, Josie Meyer, Debbie Ranniger, and Sheli Sledge.

Call to Order

Tawny Dotson called the meeting to order at 12:16 p.m. Attendees introduced themselves and described their function at the College.

Heather Ervin referenced the meeting minutes from the last meeting and informed the committee that the dues could be collected through payroll deposit.

Bylaws

Tawny distributed copies of the bylaws that were drafted by the board. The bylaws are intended to build a framework and a foundation for the future to both make the organization sound structurally, but also to pave the way for the future. There are some things in the bylaws that may or may not work perfectly, but the goal is to give it a try. Tawny asked the general membership to read and review the bylaws. She asked everyone to contact the board if you have any questions or bring them to our next meeting where we will discuss changes or things to consider before the official vote. The bylaws will be emailed to those who could not be at today's meeting.

Volunteers for Programming Committee

Sharon Freeman, president-elect, asked for volunteers to join her on the Programming Committee. The committee would be responsible for brainstorming, planning and setting up events for the organization. The goal is to make our club the model for our area and state and attract people from the Pierce County area. Heather Ervin, Patricia Lange, and Josie Meyer volunteered to join the Programming Committee. The group will work with Debbie Ranniger for purchasing the books.

Future Meetings

Because faculty involvement is so incredibly important, we are going to attempt to hold meetings every other week on Mondays at 2 p.m. until after the luncheon. After the Programming Committee decides their topics, we will come up with a schedule for future meetings. The board meeting will be next week, which is the first week of the quarter, and July 8 will be the next general membership meeting. If you are on the sign-in sheet, Debbie Collins will ensure you are on the Outlook meeting request.

Update on Luncheon

The board has met a few times to work on the bylaws and put the major pieces of the luncheon together. We have reserved the McGavick Conference Center. Tawny directed everyone to a copy of the "Save the Date" and asked for any amendments prior to it being emailed to everyone asking that they share it with fellow community and technical college colleagues and any Pierce County connections. Through the efforts of several people, we have confirmed three speakers to attend the luncheon. The board is working a menu and the cost to attend.

The Programming Committee will come together to discuss the idea that began in the chapter's initial meetings, which was that we would use the *Lean In* book written by Sheryl Sandberg and use the book's discussion guide to talk about female leadership and work-life balance.

The goal for the luncheon is to invite everyone in Pierce County; however initially, the chapter will be named after Clover Park. The idea is to have a big celebration of women in leadership roles. Michelle, Mary, and Joyce have unique experiences and will share their different racial backgrounds, family backgrounds, and life experiences. The formal invitation to the luncheon will be sent once we have fixed the cost for registration, and everyone can formally RSVP. The information will also be on the chapter's webpage.

Membership

Tawny informed the attendees that the chapter membership is open to anyone who has an interest in female leadership or professional development. We initially started with a small group that could sink their teeth into building the framework, but the goal is that we would all go out and look at our colleagues and friends to encourage them and invite them to join us. Claire Korschinowski is the chapter's vice president, and she will take on the role of membership development.

Funding will come from membership dues, and the board has not decided at this point what the annual dues will be. The board has expressed great interest in scholarship opportunities for the members. We hope in the future that there will be a scholarship committee to develop the goal.

Adjournment

Tawny adjourned the meeting at 12:36 p.m.