

NJWGSC Spring 2010 Meeting: February 5, Monmouth University

Meeting Minutes

Present: Alicia Groatman (Rowan), Debra Liebowitz (Drew), Barbara Fulmer (Monmouth) Nelson Rodriguez (TCNJ), Cecilia Colbeth (TCNJ), Cate McClelland (Brookdale), Meg Natter (Brookdale), Carlos Decena (Rutgers New Brunswick), Heather Kelly (Monmouth), Elena Johnston (William Paterson), Arlene Holpp Scala (William Paterson), Helen Dedes (William Paterson), Lisa Mastrangelo (CSE), Janice Stapley (Monmouth), Melda Yildiz (Kean)

The meeting convened at 11AM.

1. The budget report indicated good financial health for the consortium, with a budget of just over \$31,000. It was decided that because of this, the consortium would again offer students who were presenting at the spring conference free registration, as well as a \$25. stipend. Donations this year are lower than usual, but \$5500 has been raised so far from Seton Hall, TCNJ, Rutgers New Brunswick, Rutgers Camden, William Paterson, and Drew. Members whose institutions have not yet donated are asked to appeal to the appropriate administrative bodies.
2. The webpage has a new mistress! Melda Yildiz took over as of Feb. 1, 2010. Any changes to the webpage should be sent to her at mnyildiz@gmail.com. She has also established a page for the consortium at ning.com. If you would like to be able to post events at your institution on the ning page, please e-mail Melda so that she can add you as an administrator.
3. Speaker's Bureau Update: Arlene Holpp Scala continues to collect material for the Speaker's Bureau. If you would be interested in speaking, or know of colleagues at your institutions who would be, please contact Arlene at scalaa@wpunj.edu
4. Readers for the Spring 2010 Student Papers: Readers volunteered: Carlos Decena (Rutgers New Brunswick), Arlene Holpp Scala (William Paterson), John Landreau (TCNJ), Alicia Groatman (Rowan)
5. Report on the 2010 Conference at TCNJ. Speaker Jamie Grant has been secured. The conference will run from approximately 8:15 (registration will begin) to 4pm. Schools need to submit papers for the

conference to Cecilia Colbeth (colbeth@tcnj.edu) by **March 1** so that they can be distributed to the readers. Participating institutions need to also remind students that if their papers are accepted, they are making a commitment to attend the conference and complete the presentations. TCNJ will also be putting together gift bags for attendees. If institutions would like to donate an item to be included in the gift bags, Cecilia would need approximately 80-100 of the item.

6. New Business:

- a. Election of a Treasurer: Meg Natter (Brookdale) has agreed to be the new treasurer.
- b. Date and site for the summer retreat: The summer retreat will be held on June 4, from 10-2, at William Paterson. Many thanks to Arlene for agreeing to host. Suggestions for the retreat included discussions about articulation agreements (2-4 year, or 4 year-graduate), Recruiting students to women's studies, Outcomes and Rubrics (and other assessment tools) for women's studies.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15.