Women’s Studies Minutes

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Present: Janet Matthews, Ginger Hoffman, Alice Kornovich, Valerie Goertzen, Terri Bednarz, Rae Taylor, Cathy Rogers, Karen Reichard, Sara Butler

Announcements:
- **Women Empowering Women Night**: Jan. 27, 5:00-7:00 → Meeting with Sororities to talk about how we came to Women’s Studies and the value of Women’s Studies for empowering women. Is this too soon? Should we reschedule? It was decided to go ahead – 5 – 7; order pizza. And let’s do a roundtable where we all talk about how we came to Women’s Studies.

WS Survey – what next? We will discuss this at the next meeting. Sara Butler will resend by email a pdf with the results of the survey.

WS On-line evaluations – update on usefulness. We didn’t get enough respondents. But: those who did respond, did a better job at responding than usual.
- How to improve: let’s send out paper copies of the evaluation but not when the other evaluations are being done. Let’s do it mid-semester. Specifically a month before Easter. Sara Butler will send around the questions to ask if anyone can suggest improvements to the questions.

Interdisciplinary Studies Committee update
- **IDS on the web** -- we need to get IDS on the home-page of ALL colleges. We have been given permission to have a faculty publications page – Sara will try to do this when there is time. An IDS fair is planned for the fall 2010; Kathy Gros will give us a list of all students who have taken at least 2 WS courses.

Healthy Sexuality Discussions
- The Women’s Issues Organization is going to take over this event. The first one will be at the end of February.

Upcoming Programming (Karen)
- First week of April Sexual Assault Awareness Week (and Peace Conference)
- Women in the Sciences Appreciation Evening Mar 16 or 22
- Sat Feb 12 Sexual Assault Advocacy.