Women’s Studies Minutes
Tuesday Oct. 12, 2010

Present: Sara Butler, Blanca Anderson, Sue Mennino, Cait Smith, Jaita Talukdar, Rae Taylor, Barbara Ewell, C. Rogers, Constance Mui, Elizabeth Abboud, Karen Reichard, Katherine Fidler, Ria Newhouse, Uriel Quesada

Presentation by Cait Smith, Women’s Studies Minor and member of the Panhellenic Council of Sororities here at Loyola, regarding forming links with the Loyola sororities. Brainstorming session.
- Cait invited Sara Butler to come meet with the Panhellenic council.
- It turns out there are 320 female students involved in sororities here at Loyola. We need to find ways to create links since we have so much in common (both deal with stigma; both are about empowering women).

Budget discussion --> we have $1350 for our budget for this academic year. We need to prioritize how we spend it. This will be discussed in steering committee.

Women’s Studies Retreat Night: date possibilities
- Monday Nov. 15, 6 pm at Barbara Ewell’s house; we’ll order pizza. There we will also tackle the subject of whether we should become a major (we now have two contract majors).

Results of Steering Committee Brainstorming meeting:
- Knitting / crocheting night
- Interdisciplinary studies event night or fair
- Should we get Daniella Marx to do one of those banners for Women’s Studies?
- What about a wine-tasting night as a fundraiser?
- What about a Women’s Chefs of New Orleans night?

Upcoming Events:
Thurs. Nov. 4, 7 pm, Audubon Room: An Evening of Belly Dancing – Love your Body the Way it is!

Wed., Oct. 27th, 6 pm, horseshoe: Take Back the Night

Thurs., Nov. 19, 7 pm, Audubon Room: Nona Aronowitz, “Girldrive: Criss-crossing America, Redefining Feminism”