

Gender Equity Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2009

10 a.m.

Illinois State Board of Education

100 W. Randolph, Chicago

Conference Room B, 14-300

Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 am. Introductions showed the following present:

Wanda Andrews, I-STEP Coordinator, Illinois Department of Labor

Lolita Hardiman, Department of College and Career Preparation-CTE, Chicago Public School

Paul Nijensohn, Illinois State Board of Education

Debbie Hopper, Illinois State Board of Education

Ruth Sweetser, American Association of University Women - IL

Ad Hoc Members:

Debbie Potts, Illinois Office of Educational Services

Lynn Reha, Illinois Center for Specialized Professional Support

Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

Minutes

Ruth Sweetser moved that the Dec. 3, 2008 minutes be approved as submitted. Paul Nijensohn seconded to accept the minutes. Motion carried.

Legislation Vision and Purpose

Debbie Hopper provided a copy of the Illinois Vocational Education Act (105 ILCS/435/1-2.1) which contains the statute for the Gender Equity Advisory Committee for vision and purpose of the committee.

Discussion of the efficacy of the GEAC committee, prior recommendations/advice submitted and impact of the submissions, requests for official notification of GEAC submissions, and Statewide Nontraditional Leadership Taskforce (SNLT) status & mission was held.

Election of Chair and Secretary for 2009-2010 Committee.

Ruth Sweetser moved and Paul Nijensohn seconded to elect Lolita Hardiman to continue as chairperson. Motion passed unanimously.

Lolita Hardiman moved and Ruth Sweetser seconded for Debbie Hopper to be secretary. Motion passed unanimously.

Part 200 Rules Update Report-

The cover letter created by Chair Lolita Hardiman has been delayed. It will be submitted with the approved committee report to Mark Williams, ISBE Division Administrator of Career Development and Preparation as soon as possible by Chair Lolita Hardiman.

Title IX 2006 Changes Request

Clarification to the request is needed to determine the charge and the guiding question of the research. Discussion was held and an initial subcommittee was formed. Ruth Sweetser and Debbie Potts will serve on the subcommittee. Debbie Hopper will chair. The subcommittee will solicit further membership and information for review.

ISBE Report-Debbie Hopper

-ISBE and ICCB are participating in a NSF STEM Equity Pipeline project. Resources and a Statewide leadership team has been developed. A request to participate an additional year is in progress.

-ISBE continues to support nontraditional leadership through Perkins at the maximum level of \$150,000

-Illinois will use the Federal Nontraditional List for Perkins IV reporting.

-Continue to work with System Directors Leadership Council regarding equity and nontraditional efforts at the local level, including the development of Programs of Study

-Members need to complete and submit signed Ethics statement

-Leadership/Partner Updates:

ICSPS Report-Lynn Reha

-STEM Equity Pipeline

-Midwest Girls Collaborative

-New Look Project.

IOES-Debbie Potts

-CTE Works Electronic Resources journal published weekly

-Creating Mentoring Opportunities for Nontraditional Career Investigation

-By the Numbers, National Center for Women in Technology

-Thinkfinity.org

Partner Updates

Ruth Sweetser: AAUW Wage and WAGE are collaborating to provide workshops for college and high school students.

Lynn shared information regarding the updated NTO Root Causes document

Motion to adjourn was made by Paul Nijensohn and motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:30

Respectfully submitted

Debbie Hopper