American Library Association
Committee Information Update

Please note: ALA and Council committees are required to submit an update of their activities within one-month after each Midwinter Meeting and Annual Conference. This form will be sent to the ALA Council and the ALA Committee on Organization.

Report for Midwinter ________

Report for Annual Conference __2011________

Name of Committee:
Committee on the Status of Women in Librarianship

Committee Chair:
Lorna Peterson

Committee Members Present:
Melissa (Lisa) Lamont, Jennifer Paustenbaugh, Theresa (Terry) Darr, Karen Weaver, Erin Rushton, Rayette Sterling, LaBrunesha Lynley Eaton, Lorna Peterson

Committee Members Absent:
Andrea Akiti
Carolyn Giambra
Susan Hoang (intern)
Kaeper Jarecki

Others Present:
Deborah Tenofsky
Paige Mano
Kathleen DeLong
Diane Chen
Kenneth P. Kelly

Accomplishments [at this meeting], a concise account:

1. Decided to create toolkit on care giving
2. Moved to study the value and use of maintaining COSWL Cause Blog—decision to be made by July 1, 2012
3. Developed plan for keeping social media used by COSWL fresh—Facebook, Twitter. Discussed and reminded members of the need to use ALA Connect more while acknowledging that members did use ALA Connect appropriately
4. Affirmed conference calls as a good way to conduct business after conference and preferred over email use
5. Fine tuned what and how COSWL would conduct at the Introduction to Women’s Issues—the discussion at the Introduction provided excellent input for the proposed care giving toolkit and determined who would be able to attend and participate as well as support COSWL member Jennifer Paustenbaugh who was charged with leading the event
6. Decided to change in logo: equality to equity and to add the name of COSWL spelled out along the circle of the logo
7. Determined who would be able to attend and participate in the COSWL programs at the conference—one sponsored by COSWL and one co-sponsored with LHRT (Ed Holley lecture)

Other comments/information you believe will help the Association in its work:
Look into a different software package for blogging. Have clear association policies for blogging.

Submitted by: _Lorna Peterson____________________

Date Submitted: _July 24, 2011________________________________

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