

## **Women's Faculty Association General Membership Meeting October 12, 2007 Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 1:00pm by Laurel Copeland, WFA President.

### **Old Business:**

No report at this time.

### **New Business:**

#### Welcome

Laurel Copeland welcomed everyone and introduced the 2007-2008 officers:

President:	Laurel Copeland
Vice President:	Shivani Maffi
Treasurer:	Carmen Hinojosa-Laborde
Secretary:	Paula Clutter

#### Membership and Dues

Laurel reminded attendees about the dues (\$25/year) and membership forms. The dues are used for purchasing food for the monthly meetings, Science Fair and UTHSCSA student awards, and have been used for speaker presentations and website development. Everyone was encouraged to join or renew their memberships. Lunch is free for members and a \$3 donation is requested for non-members. Donations (beyond dues/lunch) to WFA are tax deductible and an acknowledgment letter detailing the amount can be provided.

#### Program

Merry Lindsey provided a presentation on "Knowing What You Want." Key points from the presentation regarding career planning and leadership were:

- Setting an agenda
- Education + mentoring + networking = success
- Creating your agenda
- Shaping your direction

Merry's Powerpoint presentation will be made available on the WFA website [see [Career](#) section]. Questions were answered and there was a brief discussion on networking and the pursuit of balancing career and family.

### **Committee Reports:**

Public Relations Committee: No report at this time.

Career Development Committee: No report at this time.

Science Fair Committee: No report at this time.

WFA Leadership Awards Committee: No report at this time.

Program Committee: No report at this time.

Membership Committee: No report at this time.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 9, 2007, 1:00-2:00pm, room 2.042