UNIVERSITY SENATE ANTI-DISCRIMINATORY POLICIES COMMITTEE

Minutes for March 19, 2007 meeting
Submitted by Tom Buchele, Chair and acting Secretary

In attendance:
Tom Buchele, Chair
Mark Lynn Anderson
Aaron Arnold
Patty Beeson
Kelly Coburn
Jane Feuer
Irene Frieze
Emilia Lombardi
Kathleen O’Connor
Randi Koeske
Janine Janosky
Lynn Fitzgerald

Minutes:
Minutes from January February 19, 2007 were approved with minor changes.

Old Business:

Domestic Partner Benefits

The Committee discussed possible responses to our discussion with Randy Juhl last month. It was agreed that a change in policy by the Administration would only occur if there is real evidence presented of problems/discrimination under the current benefit requirements. The committee discussed various ways to gather such evidence. Several members noted that there is not a GLB faculty/staff organization (why not?). Randi suggested a general letter to campus newspapers regarding problems with all types of benefits. Irene suggested using the Senate Matters column and Tom agreed to look into this.

Safe Zone

On Jane’s motion we agreed to suggest to Dean Humphreys that the name of the “Not Safe Zone” be “Allies Project”. We will discuss the logo issue at our next meeting.

Anti-Discriminatory (Tobias/Shore) Policy Award

Emilia said that she was aware of several foundations that might fund the award at about $500, but we need criteria for judging to submit as part of the application. Someone suggested that Kathy Blee might be put in charge of developing such criteria. Tom will discuss with her.
New Business

Irene suggested that the election of next year’s chair and secretary be put on next month’s agenda.

Next meeting: April 16 2007, 8:30 am, Conference Room of Law Clinic, Rm 5220 Sennott Square