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Communications Committee

1995-96 End-of-the-Year Report

Accomplishments:

The Communications Committee continued the work of the 1994-95 Networker Committee which established the missions and goals of the Networker publication.

> Following the standards for format and content established by the previous year's committee members, three issues of the Networker were published and distributed. Four-page issues were published in the Fall and Spring; a two-page issue will be produced in the early summer of 1996.

Through an amendment of the bylaws of the Commission for Women, the name of this committee was changed from the Networker Advisory Committee to the Communications Committee. This new name was chosen to reflect expanded goals proposed by the committee.

The *Networker* Advisory Committee proposed the following resolutions to the Commission For Women:

1. Revise the Committee Charges as follows:

   Networker Advisory Committee: Oversee the production of the *Networker* publication and make recommendations regarding its function, mission, content, frequency of publication and format. Oversee other types of communication including electronic communication.

2. Empower the *Networker* Advisory Committee to establish and maintain a CFW homepage on the World Wide Web: The homepage could include: current and past issues of *Networker*; agendas and minutes for CFW meetings; mission statement and charges; list of current members with phone numbers and e-mail addresses; *The Status of Women at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville; Gender and the Workplace, University of Tennessee, Knoxville*; links to Women's Studies, Women's Center, Women's Coordinating Council; announcements.

The Commission for Women approved both the revisions to the Bylaws to allow the name change and the expansion of the charge for this committee.

In response to Charge #2 above, the new Communications Committee worked with Bill Rosener to get a site on the World Wide Web with a URL address for our Homepage. The address is http://www.admin.utk.edu/~cfw. While some past issues of the *Networker* and some links have been made to related topics, much work still remains to be done on this project

Goals for the 1996-1997 year:

The Communications Committee recommends that the following be pursued in the coming year:

Place an identifing statement about the CFW with its mission and goals on the Homepage.

Place all current issues of the *Networker* on the Homepage simultaneously with the publication of the printed version.

Place the current agendas and minutes of CFW meetings on the Homepage in a timely manner.

Place a list of current CFW members, with their affiliations, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses on the Homepage.

Continue to create links with other appropriate organizations and sites, both on the UTK campus and across the Web.

Pursue the suggestion that a new logo and color scheme be created that more closely reflects the purpose of the Commission.