Meeting Notes  
SUU Women’s Network Executive Committee  
March 3, 2015  

RE: Mission & Bylaws Committee Plan  

Present: Mary Jo Anderson, Renee Ballenger, Jelisa Robison, Barbara Rodriguez  

A Constitution tells What and Who we are as an organization. It is a stationary document. Establishes and defines us as a professional development organization, positioning us as qualified for both funding and influence. Changed by whole network membership.  

ByLaws establish how we execute our mission and goals as stated in the Constitution. This can be a dynamic document. Changed by Advisory Board.  

The Advisory Board to the SUU Women’s Network should consist of the  
Past President—Chair of Advisory Board; non-voting except for tie  
President  
President-Elect  
Secretary/Treasurer  
three (3) committee chairs  
The Executive Committee is made-up of the President, President-Elect, and Secretary/Treasurer.  

President appoints Committee Chairs. Should strive for balanced representation from as many different and diverse parts of campus. No ratification necessary.  

Committee chairs will serve at least one year, but can serve up to two consecutive years at a time. Chairs will choose their own committee members, while striving for balanced representation from as many different and diverse parts of campus.  

Advisory Board meetings are Open, and structured to allow ample time for input, and structured to monitor input as well.  

Prior to this meeting, Jelisa Robison was appointed the Chair of the Mission and Bylaws Committee. She will form her committee and have a draft of a proposed Constitution and Bylaws documents to the Executive Committee for review by March 31.  

Jeanette Lund has been asked to develop the website.
On July 1, Angela Pool-Funai will begin as the Chair of the Education/Professional Development Committee.

Discussion on the name of the group.
Some of the thinking-out-loud language that was thrown out for consideration, includes:
- support
- socialization
- network
- not alone
- advocacy
- sisterhood
- camaraderie
- not crazy
- connection
- association
- affiliation
- ACE—American Council on Education
- ACE Women’s Network
- creating
- ~ avenues
- ~ opportunities
- ~ open doors

Topics to cover through guest speakers in the future, to include:

-- Exploring Definitions/Examples/Models of Leadership
-- Taking the word “just” out when describing yourself or your job, i.e. “I’m just a coordinator”
-- Eliminating usage of the phrase “That’s not my job” and situations/systems that prompt such negativity