

NUFA Women's Committee
Report for Annual General Meeting, May 2012

Members in 2011-2012:

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The NUFA Women's Committee met a total of four times in the 2011-2012 academic year, on September 29, January 30, February 10 and April 5. Discussion by email was also ongoing, but was most active between January 30 and the end of April.

The Committee's major focus was the question of daycare facilities. Following on information gathered in 2010-2011 about the variety of daycare models provided at other Ontario universities, the Committee concluded that none of the prevailing models (on-site facility, monetary stipend or reserved spots at community facilities) were quite feasible for Nipissing University at the present time. Instead, the Committee wished to pursue the possibility of a shared facility with a community partner. At the meeting on February 10, 2012, this idea was discussed with representatives of the NUFA Executive, and the Committee was authorized to investigate the possibility, for information purposes only and on behalf of the Association only at this time. The two possible community partners identified are One Kids Place and the North Bay Regional Health Centre. In April 2012 a contact at NBRHC provided the name of Dave Smits, Vice-President of Facilities and Diagnostic Services, who is willing to meet with members of the Committee. A meeting has yet to be scheduled but will likely take place in May or June 2012.

Though no monies have yet been spent on behalf of the Women's Committee, Co-Chair Kathy Mantas will be attending the OCUFA Status of Women Workshop in Toronto on May 4, 2012, requiring assistance for the \$75 registration fee plus travel expenses.

Respectfully submitted,

Derek Neal and Kathy Mantas
Co-Chairs

April 29, 2012