

Association News

Organizations

The following is a statement provided by the Women's Caucus for Political Science:

The Women's Caucus for Political Science was founded at the 1969 APSA Convention in New York in response to an awareness of the problems faced by women in the profession and the need to take action. At the association's annual business meeting, a resolution on the status of women was passed overwhelmingly, committing the APSA to support greater recruitment, scholarship, research and employment opportunities for women, to provide women with organizing facilities at professional meetings, to disapprove of professional discrimination against women political scientists and to publicize specific instances of such discrimination.

At the convention, a five-member Executive Committee for the Women's Caucus was established for organizational and administrative purposes. The members of the Executive Committee are: Chairman, Katherine M. Klotzburger (Rutgers University); Executive Secretary, Audrey S. Wells (University of Florida); Carol B. Barry (Syracuse University), Berenice A. Carroll (University of Illinois); and Judith Stiehm (UCLA).

The work of the Women's Caucus will be carried on through participation in state, regional, and national political science professional activities, and through local units organized at regional and campus levels. Those interested in helping to organize at the regional levels may contact the following regional chairmen through the Women's Caucus address listed below: South, Dorothy Stetson (Florida-Atlantic University); Northeast, Katherine Klotzburger (Rutgers); New England, Joan Rothschild (Harvard); Midwest, Doris Graber (University of Illinois); West, Judith Stiehm (UCLA).

The Caucus will also work closely with the APSA Committee on the Status of Women chaired by Josephine Milburn (Simmons College), in its research activities, and in seeking to implement the resolution on women passed by the APSA.

A newsletter for members has been planned, the first issue to appear this fall. The newsletter, which intends to provide a forum for the exchange of information on the problems of women in the profession and possible solutions for them, will include news items of local organizational activities, research projects, and books in the field. Newsletter editor Carol Barry invites contributions of items, which should be sent to her at the address below.

Membership in the Women's Caucus for Political Science is open to all political scientists, men and women, with dues at \$3.00 for the 1969-70 academic year. All who are concerned about the status of women in the profession are urged to join. Please send your name and mailing address, affiliation, plus your check, to the Caucus mailing address. Additional contributions to defray postage, newsletters, and other administrative expenses are welcome. Women's caucuses of political scientists already in existence locally are urged to join forces and affiliate with the nationally organized Women's Caucus for Political Science.

Mailing address: The Women's Caucus for Political Science, Box 12859, University Station, Gainesville, Florida, 32601. Please send all communications to the Women's Caucus to this address.