I. Reporting of research into Smith College Vendor Code of Conduct, following last month’s discussion (Item III on 10.5.12 minutes)

Laura Smiarowski reported on her follow-up on Stacie Hagenbaugh’s request to find out more about the Vendor Code of Conduct work-study position and the possibility of reviving it. Laura researched CCCP minutes from 2008-09, spoke with Linda Hiesiger, Director of Procurement, and will continue to seek information about who would be the current point of contact for the Vendor Code of Conduct, which appears to cover just apparel with the Smith College logo. She has inquired with one peer institution as to whether it also has a Code of Conduct. Ana Gorman inquired as to how the Council went down this path, as well as who previous chairs of the Council have been. [Previous chairs: Tom Riddell, Ann Shanahan, Jennifer Walters, Rae-Anne Butera.]

II. Presentation on the “Women for the World”

Invited guest Trish Jackson, Vice President for Development, gave a PowerPoint presentation about the $450 million “Women for the World” fundraising campaign, begun in July 2009 and publicly launched last month at the Women’s Global Leadership Celebration. The primary goal of the campaign is to raise financial aid dollars to provide access to the Smith education. She provided an overview of the mid-October celebration, cited statistics on the current situation, explained such donor initiatives such as the Jill Ker Conway challenge for the Ada Comstock Scholars Program and the Draper Business Plan Competition, described the new Century Professorships, and responded to questions from members of the Council. The campaign has raised over 200 million in its “quiet phase” and seeks to raise another $250 million; it will extend at least until 2016.
III.  Other business

Before closing the meeting, Stacie Hagenbaugh asked if there was any new business; Carla Cooke mentioned that the issue of fossil fuel divestment has been raised at other colleges as well as Smith, and a divestment committee had been formed at Smith by members of the student-run Smith Green Team. The chair of the Green Team and the Divestment Committee, Siiri Bigalke ‘15, is interested in making a brief presentation at a future CCCP meeting.

Stacie Hagenbaugh ended the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

Next Meeting:  Friday, December, 7, 2012 at noon (Campus Center 103/104)

Minutes respectfully submitted by Carla Cooke and Sherry Wingfield