## **Staff Women's Caucus** *Kia Ora Wahine o Te Whare Wananga o Otago Greetings to all University of Otago Women*

Staff Women's Caucus (SWC) facilitates social and collegial contact among women employed by the University. We provide a forum for discussing common interests, affirming, supporting and strengthening the role of women in the University community. We respond to public comment affecting women, nominate women for committees or working parties, comment on reports, charters, etc. We request programmes that will benefit women, and support the work of those implementing them.

The aims of Staff Women's Caucus are to:

- encourage good relationships among women across the campuses of the University of Otago.
- foster awareness of the particular needs of women.
- affirm, support and strengthen the role of women in the University of Otago.
- create a climate for the sharing of knowledge and expertise for the benefit of all.

Membership of Staff Women's Caucus is open to all women employed in any capacity within the University or related organisation, and is by payment of a small annual subscription.

A committee, which represents the broad base of the membership, organises social events, forums, theme weeks and so on, and monitors University activities commenting where and when necessary on aspects affecting women staff.

Lunches are held from time to time to allow women to meet others from different parts of the campus, to air views on any special topical issues, and to let committee members know of any wider concerns that it could usefully comment on. These lunches and other meetings are usually advertised in the *Otago Bulletin*. An email list is also used to allow contact with and input from members who cannot always get to gatherings.

Staff Women's Caucus welcomes you to the University of Otago, and invites you to become a member.

## Application for Membership of Staff Women's Caucus (SWC)

Please complete and send with the appropriate subscription fee (no cash please) to: Lornae Straith (SWC Treasurer), Financial Services Division.

You can also pay via internet banking. The details are: Bank: Westpac, Branch: Dunedin North and Account Number: 03 0883 0189838 00. Please ensure you include your name and "SWC sub" as a reference, so that we can identify your subscription on the bank statement. Please send your membership form to Lornae in the internal mail (circle internet banking) so that we have your contact details.

I wish to join /renew (circle one) my Staff Women's Caucus membership for 2014-2015

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