



NON-SEXIST EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS

August, 1975

Dear People,

Hello from Men and Women Unlimited, a non-profit organization committed to the development of non-sexist educational materials.

We began in the spring of 1973, funded by "Opportunities for Youth" (O.F.Y.). Between May and August we developed a prototype kit containing booklets, audiovisual material, work sheets, educational games and suggestions for teaching in a non-sex-role-stereotyped manner.

During the summer of 1974, again funded by O.F.Y., we field-tested portions of the kit, continued development and research, and divided our prototype materials into individual packages pertaining to different subject areas and age levels.

This year it was our intention to have our packages printed and to establish a system for distribution. However, O.F.Y. turned down our application for funding. We were compelled, therefore, to re-evaluate our goals.

Fortunately, a recent small grant from the Department of the Secretary of State has given us the opportunity to organize and carry out an alternative to our original plans.

We have made arrangements to turn over our work and files to the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (O.I.S.E.) in Toronto, who are developing and producing non-sexist educational kits themselves. During the next year they will be field-testing our material along with their own. They plan to then include some of our material within their educational packages.

Thank you for the interest you have shown in Men and Women Unlimited. We sincerely apologize for this delay in contacting you (especially those of you who have written to order material from us). We are happy finally to be able to communicate the news of what has happened with us.

We are including your name on the mailing list that we are turning over to O.I.S.E. They will contact you in the future with information concerning our material that they have amalgamated with their packages. An information sheet on O.I.S.E.'s now available "Women's Kit" is enclosed for your interest.

We have been most gratified by the support and interest you have shown in our work, and in non-sexist teaching.

Thank you. Merci,

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May 16, 1975.

Ms. Marcia Braundy, Chairperson,
Kootenay Women's Council,
Box 1200,
Castlegar, British Columbia.

Dear Ms. Braundy:

Thank you for your letter of May 2nd concerning
the Human Rights Complaint Form.

"Sex" was left off the form by error and I have
sent word for it to be included in the printing of new
complaint forms.

I agree with your point, and thank you for
bringing the matter to my attention.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen Ruff".

(Ms.) Kathleen Ruff,
Director, Human Rights Code.

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