

**CLASSIFIED SENATE
MEETING MINUTES
May 4, 2006**

Attending: MariaElena Apodaca, Melissa Baxter, Maureen Chenoweth, David Garrido, Akemi Ishikawa, Sherri Mines, Diane Moore, Leslye Noone, Zarmina Razzaqui, Kay Thornton, Pat Wood.

Absent: Diana Cohn, Gigi Gallagher Rosalinda Jen, Charlie McKellar, Lucy Rodriguez, Lori Thomas, Carmela Xuereb.

1. **Approval of minutes for 4/20/06:** The minutes were approved.

2. **Treasurer's Report:** MariaElena reported that we have spent \$10,050 so far.

3. **Foothill/District Committee Reports:**

A. Budget Task Force: No report.

B. Educational Resources: No report

C. HRAC No report.

D. Chancellor's Advisory Council: This committee met on April 28th. Attendees were reminded to vote in the June 6th election and to remind others to vote. Mike Brandy passed out a review of the 2006/07 budget. Enrollment is back up, the governor's budget gives us a 5.18% COLA and could still go up as high as 5.92%. Managers were requested to submit staffing requests. Thirty-four were received of which 17 were new (these will be partly covered by state funds for the additional space added with the construction). The final list of new positions will go to the Board in June. To fund benefits for active employees, we are ok for this year and next year due to a one time surplus, but costs are rising sharply so we need to find another solution. Unfunded retiree liability – the various bargaining units have requested a report of what it would cost to bring back lifetime benefits for all (instead of the two-tiered system we now have). This report is due June 2. Utility costs are also rising.

E. District Budget: This committee working hard on the cost per employee of benefits for the various bargaining units.

F. ETAC: No report.

G. Legislative Committee: Kay reported that no report yet as the committee has not yet met, but will meet this afternoon. She will have a detailed report next Senate meeting.

H. Roundtable: Leslye reported that Bernadine distributed a list of requests for new classified positions, and she also distributed the new plan for the one way road around campus.

4. **Employee of the Month:** The May nominee is Susan Almendarez from Admissions and Records and the June nominee is Anthony Kitagawa from Fine Arts (ceramics technician).

5. **Classified Employee's Recognition Week:** Everybody's invited to the reception on Thursday, May 18, from 12 to 2 pm! All plans are on track and going well!

6. **Classified Employees Retreat:** Sherri reported that 147 had replied so far that they are going. Nine individuals will present.

7. **Website Update:** Dave reported no committee updates have come in yet, but that he has received the constitution and bylaws. Other ongoing updates have been made.

8. Good of the Order:

A. Trisha was unable to attend.

B. A discussion was held regarding the endorsement of the Jean Thomas Center. It was agreed that we needed more information on the process for the campus as a whole before we could proceed.

C. There was some confusion about why some received the meeting maker proposal, while others did not receive it. The board agreed to get more information.

D. Top secret!

E. Top secret!

F. No more items to discuss.

**Dates to remember: Classified Retreat on May 5, End of the Year Celebration on May 10, Classified Recognition Week May 15-19 (May 18 reception in white tent).
Next meeting June 1, mini meeting June 15, Granlibakken June 8-10.**