

CLASSIFIED SENATE  
MEETING MINUTES  
June 14, 2007

Attending: Maureen Chenoweth, Dave Garrido, Christine Mangiameli, Lucy Rodriguez, Karen Smith, Kay Thornton.

Absent: MariaElena Apodaca, Melissa Baxter, Stephanie Franco, Gigi Gallagher, Akemi Ishikawa, RosalindaJen, Sherri Mines, Leslye Noone, Gina Parisi, Denise Perez, Zarmina Razaqui,, Phuong Tran, Pat Wood.

1. Approval of Minutes from 5/31/07: This item was tabled for our next meeting.
2. Burning Issues: None to report.
3. Next Meetings: Thursday, July 19 and August 2? Karen and Maureen will organize a working lunch for these next two meetings, and we will change the meeting time to start at noon.
4. Treasurer's Report: This item was tabled for our next meeting.
5. Foothill/District Committee Reports:
  - A. Budget Task Force: No report.
  - B. Educational Resources: No report.
  - C. HRAC: No report.
  - D. District Budget: Lucy reported on the discussion that the COLA is different than a salary increase. Also, retiree benefits are projected to increase by 16%. And the parking fund has a \$300,000 - \$400,000 deficit (the cause cited is the lack of fee increases for many years). There was also discussion of possible abuse of the parking permits by staff and faculty.
  - E. ETAC/EIS: The deadline to give input into the EIS system is June 15.
  - F. Legislative Committee: No report.
  - G. Roundtable: June 6 was the last meeting of the academic year. Some positions are open for the new academic year. Karen Smith will be the new representative for Student Retention. Various campus groups have advocating for continued bus service to the campus with the VTA. Mary Hawkins gave a report on Student Retention. Duncan Graham presented the idea of forming a Public Art committee.
  - H. Chancellor's Advisory Council: No report.
  - I. FHDA Board of Trustees: It was reported that one student has been expelled from the district. Brian Murphy reported that he and John Swenson had a good trip to Viet Nam. The Board now has fewer mandatory meetings. The Foundation is trying to increase their endowment by 23 million. Hal Plotkin has been active in promoting the use Public Domain resources. Foothill College may become a state resource center for Public Domain resources (and we may receive funds from the state to assist in this effort). The Student Health Center fee has been raised by \$1. Mike Brandy reported satisfaction with the budget.

6. Senate Committee Reports:

A. Retreat: The committee met to provide results of the retreat. Some minor problems were identified but the group was happy with the overall result.

B. Robert Garcia was named Classified Employee of the Year, and Duncan Graham Administrator of the Year at the end of the year celebration.

7. Opening Day Topics: Dave and Maureen will meet with Chancellor Martha Kanter on Monday, June 16 to help finalize the schedule.

8. Public Art Committee proposal by Duncan Graham: Dave has a copy of Duncan's proposal. If anyone would like to read it, please let him know.

9. Job Applications and HR Screening: The Senate has received information that HR is not forwarding all applications to the hiring committees. Others reported that it was their understanding that HR does not forward the application if it is incomplete. Please let your Senate officer know if you hear of any applications NOT being forwarded if it should have.

10. Announcements/Good of the Order:

a. Roundtable recruitment: Karen Smith

b. 4CS CLI replacement for Stephanie Franco: Karen Smith

c. Internal leave replacements: Senate is looking into advocating for these opportunities for professional growth for classified employees.

d. Health workshops (cancer lecture and cholesterol screening): available through the Health Center.

e. Sustainability Survey: Tabled for next meeting.

**Notes to remember: Our next meeting is Thursday, July 19, 12 noon, location TBA.**

**Future Meeting Guests: Martha Kanter and Fred Sherman (date TBA).**

**4CS Classified Leadership Institute at Granlibakken is June 21-23.**

**Classified Senate Executive Officers @ Senate Representatives Retreat: Friday, September 14**