

CLASSIFIED SENATE
MEETING MINUTES
July 19, 2007

Attending: MariaElena Apodaca, Melissa Baxter, Mia Casey, Maureen Chenoweth, Stephanie Franco, Dave Garrido, Darya Gilani, Akemi Ishikawa, Rosalinda Jen, Christine Mangiameli, Leslye Noone, Denise Perez, Lucy Rodriguez, Karen Smith, Annette Stenger, Phuong Tran, Pat Wood.

Absent: Gigi Gallagher, Sherri Mines, Gina Parisi, Kay Thornton,

1. Approval of Minutes from 5/31 & 6/14: This item was tabled for our next meeting.
2. Burning Issues: Pat Hyland's new assistant, Darya Gilani, was introduced.
3. Next Meeting: Thursday, August 2nd.
4. Treasurer's Report: Akemi reported that as of 7/18 we had spent \$9053.83 for the 06/07 fiscal year. This was different from our last report because we have received reimbursement from the district.
5. Committee Reports:
 - A. Budget Task Force: No report.
 - B. Educational Resources: No report.
 - C. HRAC: No report.
 1. Mediation: Karen has been going through the training.
 - D. District Budget: Lucy stated that the meetings had been getting cancelled due to the fact that the Governor has not approved the state budget. The group is waiting for the revise.
 - E. ETAC/EIS: No full report but Stephanie stated that the EIS core committees are in the process of creating scenarios to submit to the potential software companies to see what they come up with. Specialists in each area will be able to test the potential products in the near future.
 - F. Legislative Committee: No report.
 - G. Roundtable: No report.
 - H. Chancellor's Advisory Council: No report.
 - I. FHDA Board of Trustees: Dave stated there was a long presentation on the Griffin House. He stated there is a process in place to evaluate board members performance, but the short survey is sent out to Administrators and the Chancellor's Council. Annette was asked if she knew if that group was going to be expanded (e.g. to include classified, etc.) but there is nothing in the works. If we have any input, we can go through Dave who can then go through Stephanie to pass on to the Chancellor's Council.
6. Senate Committee Reports: Most of the committees are done with their year's work, but comments were made on the Granlibakken trip. All attendees, Dave, Maureen, Asha, Lucy, Karen, and Leslye, had a great time. Rosalinda Jen was announced as the Employee of the Month for July.

7. Constitution & Bylaws Revision: Academic Year Terms: Dave opened discussion on whether we want to move from our current calendar year term to fiscal year term. Both have pros and cons. We are one of the few senates on the calendar year. The original reason behind is was that folks got too busy to participate in elections at the proper time. Please take this idea to your segments and get a feel for any choice they may have. Since it is a bylaw item, it will need to be voted on by all classified staff. More discussion to come. *There was discussion about having some sort of leadership training for new committee members. Christine suggested that we should take that idea to Roundtable and Judy Miner.*
8. Reassigned time, backfill, & room restoration update: SEIU folks are currently negotiating these items. Three board members are up for re-election, None were aware of this issue and all three seemed to support the issue. Dave and Maureen had 20 minutes with Judy Miner this morning and gave their pitch on the importance for our senate participation. She was open to discussion and is committed to our involvement. New classified staff members are being invited to Asilomar this year. Judy is also in agreement that the senate should be appointing classified staff to committees as opposed to management doing so.
9. Announcements/Good of the Order:
- a. Foothill College New Employee Retreat at Asilomar: Sept. 5-7
 - b. Shirley Barker has been hired as the interim V. P. of Educational Resources. She temporarily replaces Debbie Budd.
 - c. We need someone to serve on the committee for an Interim Dean of Biological Health Sciences. You would need to be free on August 7th from 2-5pm. Contact Dave if you are interested.

**Notes to remember: Our next meeting is August 2nd, 12 noon, in the KCI.
Classified Senate Executive Officers @ Senate Representatives Retreat: Friday,
September 14**