

CLASSIFIED SENATE
MEETING MINUTES
January 17, 2008
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Attending: Maureen Chenoweth, Stephanie Franco, Darya Gilani, Akemi Ishikawa, Dave Garrido, Sherri Mines, Karen Smith, Phuong Tran

Absent: MariaElena Apodaca, Melissa Baxter, Gigi Gallagher, Rosalinda Jen, Christine Mangiameli, Leshye Noone, Denise Perez, Lucy Rodriguez, Virginia Slayton, Kay Thornton

1. Approval of Minutes from 11/15/07 and 12/06/07: No minutes yet. Tabled for next meeting.
2. Burning Issues: Maureen stated that we still need a Co-Chair for the retreat committee. Darya Gilani from the Office of the Dean of Faculty and Staff showed an interest.
3. Next Meeting: Thursday, February 7th, 2:30-4pm@6708.
4. Treasurer's Report: As of 12/5, we have spent \$5,388.
5. Committee Reports:
 - A. Budget Task Force: No report.
 - B. Educational Resources: No report.
 - C. Program Planning Committee: No report.
 - D. HRAC: No report.
 - E. District Budget: No report.
 - F. ETAC/EIS: Sherri stated that the Steering Committee has made a recommendation to the Chancellor in regards to our new EIS system. The recommendation is going to the Board on 2/4/08. The committee has taken one hundred hours, 2 site visits, and made 20 reference checks. They felt the demos were not very useful and received a lot of staff input. The Steering Committee is being asked to stay together for 2 more years. It will cost \$1+ million in backfill to enable staff to implement the new system. ETAC: Twenty-inch screens are now standard. Due to the laptop theft, the district is looking into a new security system and setting new rules for transferring data from one person to another.
 - G. Leg. Cmte/Acad. Senate: No report from the Legislative Committee but Kay sent in a report on Academic Senate. Judy Miner agreed to pay State dues for AS. The Bookstore will roll out book rentals.
 - H. Roundtable: There was a budget update. We are ok this year, but there may be cuts next year (no staff). Foothill may want to use growth to counteract the negative impact. There will be no C.O.L.A next year. The new Director of Facilities, Brenda Visas, was introduced. Judy assigned Brenda the task of restarting the Facilities Committee and combine it with the sustainability group. Ask your constituents if they think this is a good idea so we can provide input! The list of approved mini-grants was distributed.
 - I. Chancellor's Advisory Council: The budget was discussed. Other items discussed were Sustainability, Board policy on Articulation, and Prop. 92. Remember NOT to use District resources to advocate for this proposition.
 - J. FHDA Board of Trustees: The Athletic Department gave a presentation on how effective their programs are. The next meeting will be a closed meeting.
 - K. President's Innovation Grants: A list of approved grants was emailed.
 - L. Meeting with President Miner: Dave has not met with Judy yet.

6. Senate Committee Reports:

A. Employee of the Month: *We had a nice reception in December. The committee is meeting soon to revise the criteria for selection and to redo the nomination form in order to encourage more participation.*

7. Election: Dec.10 (change terms, officers, and reps): *During winter we will continue to solicit nominations. Akemi recommended that a governance workshop be offered to coincide with the elections. Darya will follow up with Pat Hyland. Two separate workshops would be needed; one for faculty and students, and a separate one for classified only. The latter to coincide with our elections.*

8. Committee on Committees: *No updated information.*

9. Reassigned time, backfill, and room restoration update: *No update.*

10. Defining Excellence in Governance: *In process.*

11. Announcements/Good of the Order:

a. *Open Forum V.P. Ed Resources & Instruction: Interviews are next week.*

Dates to remember

*Next meeting: Tues, Feb. 7th, 2:30-4pm in room 6708; then Feb. 21; March 6, 2008
4CS Classified Leadership Institute: June 12-14, 2008 @ Granlibakken, Tahoe City.
Guest speaker: Fred Sherman, ETS: TBA*