



P.O. Box 4800, Mission Viejo, CA 92690

MINUTES
Representative Council Meeting
Irvine Valley College, Room B400/LSB 112
April 6, 2015

Officers Present:

President: Claire Cesareo
President-Elect: Mark Blethen
Past-President: Paula Jacobs
Treasurer: Ken Woodward
Secretary: Allison Camelot
Membership Chair: Loma Hopkins
Part-Time Faculty Chair: Beth Clary

Grievance Chairs Present:

Margot Lovett, Saddleback College

Representatives from Irvine Valley College Present:

Diana McCullough, Guidance and Counseling
Ted Weatherford, Kinesiology, Health and Athletics
Jefferey Kaufmann, Life Sciences and Technologies
Martha Stuffer, Social and Behavioral Sciences
Rebecca Beck, Languages, Learning, and Library Resources

Representatives from Saddleback College Present:

Steve Handa, Counseling Services
Mike Hoggatt, Transfer, Career, and Special Programs
Veronica Obermeyer, Fine Arts and Media Technology
Jan Duquette, Kinesiology and Athletics
Josh Pryor, Liberal Arts
Jenny Langrell, Online Education and Learning Resources
Samantha Venable, Health Sciences and Human Services
Frank Gonzalez, Mathematics, Science and Engineering
Margot Lovett, Social and Behavioral Sciences

Part-time Representatives Present:

Susan Bliss

Bev Wirtz

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:14 p.m.

2) Introduction of Guests

Bill Billingsley was introduced as a guest.

3) Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Bev Wirtz, seconded by Margot Lovett; unanimously approved.

4) Approval of Minutes

a. March 2, 2015

Moved by Jenny Langrell, seconded by Margot Lovett; unanimously approved.

5) Membership Report – Loma Hopkins (5 minutes)

The membership reports were dispersed. Loma attended the CCA membership workshop on 4/28 where the issue of agency fee was a major topic discussed. A flyer on the workshops CTA offers was given to representatives and Loma asked which workshops would be beneficial to our faculty. It was stated that we may want to have a presentation on one of these during the in-service luncheon. Loma is going to forward a digital copy of the CTA membership information which includes ideas on getting new members.

6) Communications Committee Report – Allison Camelot (5 minutes)

Allison stated that the spring 2015 newsletter is almost completed, that she is just waiting on a few articles. The newsletter will be sent out soon. Allison stated that Claire has included some very interesting articles in the newsletter.

7) Treasurer's Report – Ken Woodward (5 minutes)

The treasurer's advisory committee met over spring break. Frank Gonzalez attended the meeting with Ken Woodward. The budget was dispersed to the council. Frank suggested that we have a luncheon for those who contribute extra to the PAC and ask individuals to bring another faculty member to the luncheon. There was a discussion on the balance in the PAC at this time. Ken thanked those who make extra contributions.

8) Part-Time Committee Report – Beth Clary (5 minutes)

The unemployment workshop is scheduled for Friday, May 8 and the flyer was dispersed. The flyer for the CAISTRS Retirement workshops at the Irvine office was given to the representatives. Beth stated that faculty can also do a drop in or make an individual appointment.

9) CCA Spring Conference (5 minutes)

a. April 24-26, Hilton Orange County, Costa Mesa

Beth Clary, Susan Bliss, Jenny Langrell, Veronica Obermeyer, Mark Blethen, Claire Cesareo, Loma Hopkins, Lewis Long, and Deb Watt are interested in attending as a delegate.

b. W.H.O. Award Nominee – Susan Bliss will receive the W.H.O. award at the conference.

10) PAC Report/Candidate Endorsement (10 minutes)

The PAC met on 3/6/15 and interviewed candidates interested in being appointed to Bill Jay's seat. The PAC decided to support three of the candidates and decided not to choose just one candidate (Bobby Jay, Cal Nelson, and Pete Espinosa). The interviews will be held at the next Board meeting. The Faculty Association will look into if the decision is allowed to be made in closed session. There was a discussion on Nancy Padberg's seat. Margot Lovett made a motion that the Faculty Association finds Bobby Jay, Cal Nelson, and Pete Espinosa as acceptable to be appointed to Bill Jay's seat, Samantha Venable seconded the motion; unanimously approved.

11) Negotiations Report – Lewis Long (40 minutes)

On 1/28/15 the FA proposal for salaries was presented to the District. Lewis Long summarized the general proposal. About two months later a written response was sent to the Negotiation Team which stated COLA only. The FA negotiation team is meeting today, 4/6/15. The next negotiation's meeting is on 4/15/15 with the District. Negotiation issues were discussed. There was a discussion on the exploitation of department chairs. The Board meeting last week was discussed.

12) Organizing Committee Report – Mark Blethen (10 minutes)

Mark stated that there was a very good faculty turnout at the last Board meeting. Mark stated that speaking to other faculty in person and getting them to attend is the best method. Claire stated that the Board listening session is on April 22. Mark stated that we need to explain the information on negotiations to other faculty. There was an additional discussion on the contract negotiations. Margot suggested that we have

another general meeting with the faculty. Claire stated that it is important that representatives contact her, Lewis, or Mark if they are unclear on any of the negotiation's issues and are getting questions from faculty.

13) Review of Proposed By-Laws Changes – Final Reading (15 minutes)

Tabled for the next meeting due to time.

14) Special Election (5 minutes)

Claire stated that we need to have a special election in May.

- a. Representatives and Alternates
- b. By-Laws

15) Next Representative Council Meeting

- a. May 4, 2015, 3-5:00pm, Saddleback College, BGS245
Meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.