## Classified Senate Meeting Minutes of May 6, 2003

Present: Rocky Rose, Maggie Gonzales, Diane Leong, Pat Murray, Karen Ostegard, Jan Recktenwald, Patty Bailey and Paula Tillery

Unable to Attend: Caroline Vanlandingham and Jane Biggs

After satellite technical difficulties, Rocky Rose convened the meeting via phone conference call at 12:13p.m.

<u>Chancellor/Classified Senate Nominations</u> The nominations for the monthly awards were discussed. Additional nominations were submitted.

The recipients are: April - Cathy Metts nominated Juliette Harrington May - Janice Bellinghiere nominated Yvonne Reid-Hairston June – Classifed Senate nominated David Laughlin July - open August – Rex Paris/Thomas Tsung/Dennis Collins nominated David Duenos Sept/Oct/Nov/Dec – open

Janet Castanos nominated Marilyn Marshall and the Classified Senate placed it on hold for a future open spot maybe in November or December because she received the award in February, 2000.

Yolanda Guerrero nominated MB (full name to be announced later) for a possible award in one of the "open" places to be determined at the next E-board meeting.

**Grossmont Report** Pat Murray reported that the Health Fair was a huge success. The ASGC Board has been elected. The Awards Ceremony will be on May 15 at 2pm. Karen Ostegard attended the budget meeting on April 2. Dr. Suarez and Jim Austin reported on the 'good, bad, and ugly'. The 'good' is right now due to the prudent budget committee that budgeted 3% and the cut was 3 ½%. It is going to get 'bad' this next school year and then 'ugly' in 2004-05.

Pat thanked Cuyamaca for hosting the Classified Staff Appreciation Day. Everyone had a great time.

<u>**Cuyamaca Report</u>** Maggie Gonzales reported that there was a good turn out for the Horticulture Annual Scholarship and Banquet on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Many scholarships were given out.</u>

A big thank you goes to Duncan Hunter for his support in the Districts' effort in obtaining a couple grants totaling close to \$1 million, about \$700,000 is for the Math & Science department at Cuyamaca College and about \$270,000 went to Grossmont College.

Cuyamaca College will be celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary on May 10, at the Crystal Ballroom in El Cajon.

The Scholarship Awards ceremony was May 7<sup>th</sup>.

District Report No report at this time

**District Budget** Rocky reported the Governor's proposed cuts to Community Colleges of about 10.78% (or something very close to that) in his January budget release. The Governor's May revise budget will be released sometime after May 16<sup>th</sup> and the District will have a joint meeting of DEC and DSP&BC on May 19<sup>th</sup> to look at the new numbers and evaluate what impact they might have on our district. It is then up to the Legislatures to present some kind of compromised budget proposal to the Governor to approve and sign. Still going to be a long process before anything gets signed into law. We have to start working on a letter, fax or phone campaign to the Legislature. Dana Quittner recommends that the letters be faxed and phone calls (ask for the staff person) be made to the key legislators. Rocky will email the fax and phone numbers to the E-Board.

**Bylaw changes** The E-Board discussed the increase of the length of term for the Executive Board to 5 years. Pat Murray made a motion to increase the length of office, and Maggie Gonzales seconded the motion. No opposed. The public announcement for nominations and the bylaw changes will be discussed at the June 3 meeting. Rocky is working on an email voting process.

Rocky spoke to Dr Suarez about release time to attend meetings. He has made a commitment to work with the supervisors to allow their staff to attend meetings and not consider it their lunch time.

Meeting adjourned at 1pm

Next meeting is June 3, 12-1pm