

Classified Senate Executive Board Meeting

March 7, 2006 – Meeting Notes

Attending: Cindi Athis, Kurt Brauer, Maggie Gonzales, Diane Leong, Karen Ostegard, Pat Murray, Jan Recktenwald, Rocky Rose, Paula Tillery

Unable to Attend: Pat Bailey, Shari Ball, Yvonne Board, Diane Christianson, JacQueline Goff, Jeff Scott

1. Call to Order

Pat Murray opened the meeting at 12:09 p.m.

2. Approve January and February Meeting Notes

On the motion of Rocky Rose, and seconded by Diane Leong, the January and February meeting notes were approved.

3. Grossmont, Cuyamaca & District Council Reports

- Maggie Gonzales reported that construction is moving along at Cuyamaca, and that the groundbreaking for the Student Center took place last month. She also reported that there has been discussion on campus regarding the possible naming of the new Science & Tech Mall for Wendell Cutting. She said that so far, only positive responses have been received.

Jan Recktenwald commented that there are mixed feelings among some faculty and staff about the appropriateness of naming a building after a Board member. There was brief discussion regarding Trustee Cutting's contributions to the District.

Pat Murray suggested that a Senate resolution in support of naming a Cuyamaca building for Wendell Cutting could be drafted and sent to the Cuyamaca IPC, and copied to President Perri.

- Maggie also reported that the Cuyamaca IPC is discussing enrollment strategies.

4. Treasurer's Report

No report

5. District Budget Update

Rocky reported that the Income Allocation Task Force will be reviewing the level of District Office services. He also talked briefly about Senate Bill (SB) 361. If SB361 is approved, each college would receive a basic allocation based on size - \$3.5 million for colleges with FTES over 10,000, and \$3 million for colleges with less than 10,000 FTES, plus equalized rates for credit and noncredit FTES.

6. Old Business

- a. Chancellor's Award: Pat reported on her meeting with Chancellor Suarez and Vice Chancellor Lastimado regarding the Chancellor's Award. She said that it was agreed that awardees would receive a \$250 gift certificate, lunch with the Chancellor, and recognition at a Board meeting and the State level. Additionally, Pat said that she discussed with Chancellor Suarez and Vice Chancellor Lastimado the possibility of a reserved parking space for the quarterly awardee. Vice Chancellor suggested a trophy instead of a reserved parking space. It was agreed that a trophy would be awarded rather than a reserved parking space.

Additionally, Pat reported that at her meeting with the Chancellor and Vice Chancellor there was discussion of a luncheon to honor all past recipients of the Chancellor's Classified Senate Award. There are currently approximately 70 past awardees that are still employed with the District.

The Chancellor's Classified Senate award program will be announced at the March 21 Governing Board meeting, and Maggie Gonzales will attend the meeting to "kick-off" the process.

The first award is to be awarded in May, and presented at the July Governing Board meeting.

There was discussion concerning eligibility, i.e., past awardees are eligible for new Award, Senate President is not eligible.

The award nomination form and information form were reviewed. On the motion of Rocky Rose, and seconded by Maggie Gonzales, the forms were approved as presented.

- b. Staff Day Update: Pat reported that the Staff Appreciation Day enrollment information and form were sent out via e-mail on March 7.

Pat also reported that Aztec Catering will be handling the food service.

Pat asked any E-Board members that would be available on Friday, April 7, at 3:30, to join the Staff Appreciation Day Committee at a work party to assemble packages for the 10th.

7. Committee Updates

Pat reported that the hiring committee for the Dean of Student Affairs has an opening for a Classified staff member. She said that she would suggest that Kay Thom sit on the hiring committee.

8. New Business

- a. New Members: Pat reported that Diane Kew and David Rogers have resigned their positions on the E-Board. She said that a vacancy would be declared for David's position. Pat also reported that Debi Miller, Administrative Secretary, senior is the newest member of the E-Board.
- b. Staff Awards – Pat briefly discussed campus based awards, and the Grossmont Kudo award.

- c. March 10 4CS Business Meeting: Pat reported that the 4CS business meeting would be held at Grossmont on March 10, from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 n., in the LRC teleconference room. Dr. Perri will attend the meeting.

Additionally, Pat reported that the 4CS group would be having dinner together on the evening of the 10th and asked E-Board members to let her know if they would like to attend.

- d. CLI Attendance: Pat reported that the Classified Leaders Institute would be held in Lake Tahoe from June 8-10.
- e. Governing Board Meeting Conduct: Pat briefly discussed the February Board meeting. She reported on the tense atmosphere and the limited seating due to high attendance by faculty and other staff. She also reported that at future meetings, public presentations will be changed from five minutes to three minutes.
- f. CER Political Action Group: Diane Leong reported that she and Jan Recktenwald attended a dinner meeting of the newly formed Citizens for Educational Responsibility (CER) political action group. Diane explained that the goal of CER is to provide information to East County voters, and to ensure that the Governing Board is accountable for student success. She also reported that a CER representative will attend the next CSEA Chapter meeting, and that Cheryl Houston has been appointed the Political Committee coordinator.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.