

Classified Senate Minutes
Monday, September 21, 2009

Present: Roberta Chock (President), Gloria Peña, Deborah Joy, Helia Ying, Katie Beverly, Joan Rosario, Maggie Souza (Treasurer), Vickie Nunes, Sue Eftekhari, Kathy Kerwin, President Mohr

Absent: Susan Traynor (Vice president), Jonna Pounds (Secretary), Aja Butler (Co-activity coordinator), Jose Romero (Co-activity coordinator)

1. Refreshments and Social

We started the meeting off with a 15 minute period to socialize and had ice cream sundaes.

2. Message from President Mohr

President Mohr came to let everyone in the Classified Senate know that he would like to be supportive of us and will try to be available whenever we would like him to attend, but on the other hand, he believes that his presence at our meetings might inhibit some people from freely speaking their mind. We assured him that we appreciated his thoughtfulness. There was some general discussion of some budget issues with him.

3. Introduction of Officers

Roberta announced the names of Classified Senate officers for 2009-2010: Roberta Chock – President, Susan Traynor – Vice president, Jonna Pounds – Secretary, Maggie Souza – Treasurer, and Aja Butler and Jose Romero – Co-activity coordinators

4. Approval of Minutes of May 18, 2009

Minutes were approved as presented.

5. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Maggie Souza announced that in order to save money, we have moved our account from Wells Fargo to the Redwood City Sequoia School Employees Federal Credit Union. We will keep the majority of our funds in savings since we earn 3% on the savings account, the remainder in the checking and some in petty cash. Our current balances are: Cash: \$103, Checking: \$474, Savings: \$995. Our summer Bar-B-Q expenditures were \$207, and we made \$291 after expenses.

6. Status of committee/council memberships

Roberta reported that we need representation on a couple of committees and that she will be sending out an email requesting volunteers for SSPC, District Shared Governance, and District Strategic Planning Committees.

7. Committee Reports – CPC, Budget, IPC, SSPC, other

Roberta reported from CPC: Accreditation Response is due in mid-October. Academic Senate presented a counter-proposal for the composition of CPC: Academic Senate Pres, Classified Senate Pres, Student Senate Pres, Permanent Co-chair of IPC and a faculty member of IPC, Permanent Co-chair of SSPC and a classified member of SSPC, Adjunct /Full-time faculty at large, Classified at large, Student at large, Dir of Planning. There was discussion of this and some members expressed strong sentiment that the VPI and

VPSS really should be members of CPC. Agreed that the proposed change in composition may address some identified problems in communication among the CPC, SSPC and IPC. Agreed on the above proposed change in composition to CPC.

Budget: Roberta and Vickie reported that each college has been directed to come up with another 10% in budget cuts for next year before the winter break. Because of this time frame the President will work with the VPs and Deans to bring ideas forward. Kathy Blackwood has built in a cushion of 2% in case there is an additional mid-year cut from the State.

IPC: no report

SSPC: Debbie Joy reported that SSPC needs a representative from classified staff, and that SSPC was coordinating events with IPC.

8. Activity/Events report

Discussed upcoming events - College Night, Halloween party, Classified Holiday Lunch, Holiday Baskets. General willingness of people to participate in fundraising events. We chose the date for our Holiday Luncheon – Friday, December 11, but postponed discussion of the other events. Roberta explained that Jose and Aja had met to plan for those events, Aja was going to arrive late for this meeting, and that we should wait until Aja or Jose could explain what they had already planned out.

9. Other/Public Comments

No other comments.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:55 pm.