

Classified Senate Meeting Minutes

Date: June 30, 2021 Time: 10:30 a.m. Location: Via Zoom

Present: CS Officers: Maridel Barr, President; Monica Applegate, Vice President, Kim Foulger, President Emeritus & Treasurer, and Janis Olson, Secretary. CS Senators: Teresa Brown, Melanie Palomino, Manny Rodriguez and Nigel Haikins.

Absent: Oksana Pensabene and Connie M. Siegenthaler

Guests: There were no guests.

Follow Up

Agenda: Motion to approve agenda. Motion approved.

Minutes: Motion to approve May 21st meeting minutes. Motion was made and approved to accept the minutes as submitted.

Events and Calendar Activity Planning for Classified Staff;

Planning for 2021 Classified Senate and Calendar Activity Planning for Classified Staff College Hour

Pathways to Self-Care: Social Isolation to Social Integration by Lourdes Billingsley -**Event on July 12**

Book Club – "Home Body" Summer reading book of poetry. Next Book Club meeting will be the end of August or beginning of September with Janis Olson & Nigel Haikins TBD

Kim agreed to continue with the recipe club and specifically will encourage an exchange of recipes surrounding each of the Holidays. Dates will be before Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Actual dates **TBD**

<u>Committee Reports:</u> - Ongoing projects on campus:

President's Report:

Maridel attended the Covid Oversight Committee Meeting. Monica also attended this meeting. At the meeting the committee discussed whether to require masking indoors on campus. The decision was made that masking would be a requirement. If necessary COM will provide N-95 masks to employees. Please reach out to M&O if you need these masks provided to you. The committee also discussed how COM was going to enforce masking. It was decided that it would be the supervisors' responsibility to enforce the masking requirement for the employees in each department and the Dean will be responsible for the students wearing masks.

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If necessary, employees may request plexiglass around their work stations. This can be done through School Dude. The committee also decided that there would be new signage on campus that would list the current requirements. It is still mandatory that anyone going to campus complete a System Screening Form before accessing campus. This form must be completed daily for every day that you are on campus.

No social distancing is required. The committee is also researching other possibilities such as offering free vaccinations on campus. Very few departments will be open during the summer. The exceptions are ESL and the Library who will have limited appointments available.

There currently is no food available on campus as COM is looking for a new vendor. Currently, there is no vaccination requirement. The State of California and COM guidelines are different with COM's being stricter.

Maridel also reported that there is an upcoming meeting with UMOJA in the hope of working together in their ability to support the Classified Senate's future development and how we can assist UMOJA perhaps through mentoring.

Maridel reported that Wanden Treanor, President of the Board of Trustees, gave kudos to the Classified Senate for their productivity and creativity in hosting the COM College hour sessions for the past year.

Treasurer's Report: There was no change from last meeting.

Governance Committee Reports: - N/A

Tasks and Planning for 2020-21 Classified Senate Calendar. – The Classified Senate discussed activity possibilities for the upcoming year. It was decided that the Classified Senate would host an in-person welcome back coffee and tea possibly scheduled for the second week in September.

The CS committee also hopes to have an in-person Halloween Party this year. This party would need to take place outdoors so the possibility of having an early Halloween Party was also discussed. The Halloween Party would be hosted by the Classified Senate, the goal is to raise money from this event.

The Committee is aware that all things are subject to change and that plans need to be fluid.



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Possible COM college hour suggestions were also discussed. Everyone agreed that continuing with our Trivia Contests were a big hit and would be continued. There were also recommendations for Conversation Bingo and Melanie suggested having a session focused on non-English speaking students with the hope that we could enhance our customer service and communication skills. Sally said that in a pinch, we could always use Google translator. Other COM College hour events were discussed in our Events and Calendar Section above.

Maridel reminded the CS Committee that the Classified Senate elections would take place at our next meeting. We have a few open seats. Manny's tenure is up for renewal and he has agreed to serve again. The Classified Senate asked Sally Wong to run for one of the empty seats and she agreed. We are very pleased! A huge Thank You to Manny and Sally for their new commitment to the Classified Senate.

Wrap Up: Most CS members reported that they were very busy but well. We discussed upcoming vacation plans and all wished each other a Happy 4th of July Holiday!

Our next Classified Senate meeting is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday July 14th, 2021. In August, we will return to our normal schedule of hosting our Classified Senate Meetings on the third Friday of the month. Therefore, August's meeting will take place on Friday, August 20th.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.