Cuyamaca College

Classified Senate Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 25, 2017 2:30PM-4:00PM

Location: A Building Conference Room 2

1. Call to Order:

In attendance: Ariane Ahmadian, Valerie Peterson, Cathy Fritz, Natalija Worrell, Veronica Neives

2. Action Item

• Ratify new Executive Board

Ariane Ahmadian (President)

Valerie Peterson (Vice President)

Cathy Fritz (Senator)

Natalija Worrell (Senator)

Veronica Neives (Senator)

Jennifer Moore (Senator)

3. Communications/Discussion Items:

- Senate Updates-President
 - i. Senate Constitution and Bylaw Review

-Explained to new E-Board Cuyamaca Classified Senate's Cs and Bs as being non-contractual, addressing working conditions, NOT CSEA, and that any other issues or representation comes from Senate. Classified Senate is about participatory governance as we assign people to committees (screening and otherwise noted), we are involved in conversations with the Chancellor, providing feedback from the classified staff perspective to high councils and committees. We coordinate with district wide senates (GC and District), and recently changed our structure from having a senate for all three sites to individual senates due to the difference in cultures and business practices between all three sites. All three sites do coordinate together for district wide efforts.

-Cuyamaca Classified Senate is becoming more visible and people are starting to see that classified have input and have a predominant role in the institution. Any classified is encouraged to skim through the Cs & Bs to learn more.

-There is a Coordinating Council that works together on a monthly basis with all three sites (CC, GC, and District). The coordinating council focuses on staff morals, anniversary dates, and making staff feel a part of the Cuyamaca family. Challenged to think about how best to communicate/disseminate information from committees and make it

something tangible and meaningful to staff. Classified Senate is that megaphone.

- Professional Development
 - ii. Committee on campus but it is very faculty focused. Ari has been meeting with district Professional Development coordinator regarding staff professional development. Cuyamaca is trying to supplement lack of progression for district efforts. Cuyamaca doesn't have many funds to go towards professional development for staff members- Ari to go to Professional Development committee and see what options might be available. What are our greatest needs? Informal needs assessment a couple of months ago- need a more formalized needs assessment before seeing where staff opportunities are with professional development.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00PM.