

Classified Senate of College of San Mateo

Classified Senate Minutes

Tuesday, March 26, 2019
College Center Building 10, Room 401

The meeting was called to order by President Fauzi Hamadeh at 2:07 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: President Fauzi Hamadeh; Vice President David McLain; Secretary Alicia Frangos; Events Committee Chair Kathy McEachron; Senators Arianna Avendano, Russell Cunningham, Nicholas Dellaporta, Cynthia James, Margaret McGugan, Carol Ullrich and Mary Vogt
Additional attendees: Alana Utsumi

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda by Senator Vogt; seconded by Senator Cunningham. Hearing no objections, the motion carries.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

President Hamadeh asked for any changes to the minutes from the February 12, 2019 meeting
Motion to approve the agenda by Vice President McLain; Seconded by Senator James. Hearing no objections, the motion carries.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None.

REPORTS

- President Hamadeh – Flex day – Recommend attending Intersectionality workshop which will be a continuation of Safe Spaces training.
- Secretary Dellaporta – The Library has an ongoing Makerspace. People are welcome to come and do 3D printing; yarn arts from 1 to 3pm on Fridays
- Senator Cunningham – 3/30 is the last weekend to get taxes done for free at Building 14 from 9 am to 12:30 pm. for file at myfreetaxes.com. May not be entirely free as you have to pay for storage.
- Senator James – Building Safety Committee meeting will be Thursday at 2 pm. Senator Ullrich mentioned the need for alternative times for those who cannot make the mandatory Building Monitor meeting. Vice President McLain mentioned the need to have a list of all Building monitors and floor monitors so people know who they are. President Hamadeh proposed inviting Rob Dean and Bill Woods to a future Classified Senate meeting.
- Senator Ullrich – suggested that CalPERS retirement workshop that was scheduled in 10-191 and filled very quickly could be offered in a different location and possibly at a different time, such as a flex day. President Hamadeh proposed talking to Professional Development co-chairs about possibly doing this at the October flex day.
- Senator Vogt – EMP is in final approval stages

REVIEW OF CSM CLASSIFIED SENATE CONSTITUTION

President Hamadeh brought copies of the Classified Senate Constitution. Senator Cunningham mentioned that he agrees that terms of the various executive positions should overlap to provide continuity on the Senate.

Article I – No changes needed to mission. Change to Values – *equitable* student-centered approach

Article II – No changes

Article III

Section 1

1.3 – Change to Attended at least three (3) meetings *or Classified Senate sponsored activities*

Senator Ullrich stated that some people may want to be involved, but may not want to run against another colleague. VP McLain proposed a discussion to see if each officer wants to continue; Senator Ullrich suggested that we publicize the meetings and encourage people from all divisions/departments to come.

Discussion of how to encourage more participation and Senate structure going forward

- Host a Senate meet and greet; hand out flyer at Classified Breakfast to invite people
- Call for nominations (self or nominated by other)
- Work now on creating staggered elections
- Possibly representative of areas – departments and positions
- Working sessions over the summer to come up with processes
- President pro-tem, Past President

President Hamadeh will propose ideas to share at next meeting.

OPEN FORUM AND GENERAL FEEDBACK

Santa Rosa Trip -- Classified professional development retreat may be reinstated. Funding which was cut may also be reinstated, adding an extra \$5000. Santa Rosa trip may be alternated with local classified development retreats

Discussion about Classified Staff Appreciation Day – Senate members would like to have an event as in previous years

ELECTIONS

Senate Executive Board elections will be held this May and are required even if someone is running uncontested. There are no term limits

Alana Utsumi asked if other classified employees could be members of the Senate. President Hamadeh explained that the Brown Act requires a representative Senate meaning that everyone who is a member of the Senate is a Board member and represents other classified personnel.

A possible new Board position could be created – Historian

We will continue the discussion at the next meeting

Ideas for future meetings:

- Invite Sue Harrison to discuss the contract
- New Employee Welcome
- Invite and introduce the new VPI, Michael Holtzclaw
- Invite people from various departments and divisions

FUTURE CLASSIFIED SENATE MEETINGS

Next meeting will be April 9th, agenda to follow

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS & HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:40 p.m. by Vice President McLain; seconded by Senator Ullrich;
Hearing no objections, the motion carries.

Submitted by Alicia Frangos
Secretary, Classified Senate
College of San Mateo