



Thursday, March 10, 2022
Classified Professional Development Committee

Present: Claudia Barragan, Gilbert Downs, Kelly Barton, Joe Esquivel, Laura Knight, Alexander Rock Fredell, and Dalia Guerrero.

Recorder: Cece Chavez

Guest: Oscar Rivera

Absent: Matthew Moore, Felicia Torres, Gabby Chacon, Sebastian Szczebiot, Sharon Oxford, Elizabeth Thompson, Tracie Bosket, Linda Faasua, Michael Ashton, Maria Urenda, and Eric Lopez.

1. Call to Order

1.01 Call to Order (Gilbert Downs)

Claudia Barragan called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

2.01 Approval of the Meeting Minutes (Claudia Barragan)

On motion by Joe Esquivel and seconded by Kelly Barton, the minutes for the February 10, 2022 meeting were approved unanimously.

3. Review of Action Items

3.01 Review of Action Items (Claudia Barragan)

None

4. Classified Senate President or Designee Reports

4.01 MC - Gabby Chacon (designee)

None

4.02 OC - Dalia Guerrero (designee)

Dalia Guerrero reported that Oxnard College celebrated black leadership and entrepreneurship in Ventura on February 23. The feedback that she received was that this was an informative and included several life lessons. She reported that the college offers several mental health and wellness resources. Ms. Guerrero announced that the college deadline to submit professional development applications is March 25. The college is also offering to sponsor 10 classified employees and 5 faculty members to attend the virtual LGBTQ+ Summit. Lastly, she reported that a professional development event will be held at Oxnard College on March 17, featuring Carlos Andreas Gomez, titled Our Intersecting Selves: Diversity, Identity, Equity, and Inclusion.

4.03 VC - Oscar Rivera (designee)

Oscar Rivera reported that CS President Sebastian Szczebiot has resigned and there is a new Classified Senate President, Jordana Ybarra-Telias. Ventura College has a poetry slam scheduled for March 16, featuring Carlos Andres Gomez. The multi-cultural festival is scheduled in April at the campus. He also mentioned that some possible future speakers have been promoted through Canvas.

4.04 DAC - Kelly Barton (designee)

Kelly Barton reported that a DAC professional development workgroup will be formed in the near future. The next meeting is next Thursday. Some topics will be CLI attendees. She also reported that the Vice Senate President, David Casas, was promoted and will be leaving to Ventura College. They will be discussing his replacement at the next meeting as well.

5. Unfinished Business

5.01 Update on HSI Speaker (Gilbert Downs)

Gilbert Downs called for a decision regarding the HSI speaker. Laura Knight spoke in support of Al Solano. The HSI topic will better inform classified employees of what it means to be an HSI Institution. A decision was made to contract Dr. Solano to present sometime in June.

5.02 Classified Leadership Institution Update (Gilbert Downs)

Gilbert Downs reiterated that he recommends the current Chair and incoming Chair attend CLI. He assured the committee that we have enough money to support the attendance of two individuals. The committee was supportive of Claudia and Gilbert attending the conference.

6. New Business

6.01 Classified Employee of the Year (Gilbert Downs)

Gilbert Downs commended the senates for coming together and providing nominees with such a short turnaround. He shared that the trophy company was able to get the plaques completed in less than one week and the Board meeting presentation went well and the recipients were very grateful for the recognition. Kelly Barton commented that the scoring system was helpful and it would make sense to share the rubric and nomination packets to the committee prior to meeting so that everyone would have ample

time to consider each nominee and would be better prepared to share their scores at the meeting. Claudia addressed the struggles that the DAC has with nominating candidates. She mentioned it would be helpful to present the DAC Classified Senate with the ways that district work connects to the vision for success. Rock shared that he has been considering that as well and trying to map out workflows and how they relate to the vision for success.

6.02 Rescheduling for Shared Governance Training with Patti Blair (Gabby Chacon)
Tabled.

6.03 Districtwide/Classified Employee Recognition Program Discussion (Claudia Barragan, Gilbert Downs)
Claudia Barragan explained the idea behind this initiative is to recognize Classified employees throughout the District multiple times throughout the year for the good work that is being done. Laura expressed support and shared that Moorpark College gives Kudos awards for those that go above and beyond the call of duty. The awards can be given from anyone to anyone at the college by submitting an online form. Gilbert shared that Amy Edwards recognized one faculty member at the Board of Trustees meeting. Maybe VC Barroso would be interested in recognizing a Classified employee. He also shared that he gives praises to staff weekly through the VCCCD portal. At Oxnard College, the president gives awards monthly.

6.04 Event Planning for Fall 2022
Tabled.

7. Budget

7.01 Budget Planning (Gilbert Downs)

Gilbert Downs shared that between 3-5 thousand dollars will be set aside for the HSI Speaker. We have money for swag. Claudia suggested socks. The committee was supportive of purchasing socks for swag.

8. Future Agenda Items

8.01 Future Agenda Items (Gilbert Downs)

Vote for next Chair

9. Future Meetings

9.01 Future Meetings (Claudia Barragan)

The next meeting will be held on April, 21, 2022.

10. Adjournment

10.01 Adjournment (Claudia Barragan)

The meeting was adjourned at 2:11 p.m.