

Mesa Classified Senate Minutes

July 30, 2009

Room H119

The meeting was called to order at 9:33 am by Robin Martindill in Room H119. The sign in sheet and agenda was circulated and introductions were made. Robin explained her name had changed from Martindill to Watkins.

Members in attendance: Robin Watkins, Cathy Bruce, Chris Horvath, Robert Booth, Denise Costa, Arlis Svedberg, Joshua Taylor, Danielle Short, Vanessa Stallworth, Mike McLaren, Lynnda Echevarria.

Approval of the minutes: Read and approved from the last meeting. Chris Horvath motions and Cindy Hess 2nds; passes unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: \$ 413.40 in primary savings (scholarship), \$ 718.18 in coins for kids account, \$ 1,289.12 in the general checking.

President Report:

- a. Budget: Cuts will be needed to balance the amount of shortfall to the district. Class cuts, shorter days, energy saving to the facility.
- b. Model Classified Senate Award. Mesa received 2009 award; Danielle Short and Lynnda Echevarria received on the senate's behalf.

Officers Reports:

- a. New Officers: President-Robin Watkins, Vice President-Mike McLaren, Treasurer- Danielle Short, Secretary – Robert Booth.
- b. Smoking Investigation Committee (VP. McLaren)
The committee will determine whether or not to pursue punishment or set Designated smoking areas. There was discussion regarding classified support for either. Some Classified members present voiced strong concerns and do not support this committee in creating a punishment for smoking on campus for various reasons.

Senator Reports:

- a. Tahoe Report: Lynnda and Danielle expressed that the event was worth while and more informative than the Community College League of California (CCLC) conference. They recommend if there are not enough funds to attend both conferences the Classified Leadership Institute (CLI) conference should be chosen as the one to attend.
- b. Arlis had nothing to report from the Academic Affairs Committee. Chris reports the organic garden is going well; the environmental committee is looking for gardeners.

New Business:

- a. Conferences: No new ones to report on at this time.
- b. Breakfast: President Cepeda would like to meet once a semester with Classified Senate for breakfast. She will check her schedule for times.
- c. Fundraising: There were some ideas regarding what we could do, such as 50/50 opportunity drawings, craft sales, restaurant proceed share, Hot dog sales, happy hours.
- d. Future meeting dates: 9/11, 10/16, 11/20, 12/11/2009 @ 9:30am
1/15, 2/19, 3/19, 4/16, 5/14/2010 @ 9:30am

Old Business:

- a. Dues automatic deduction: still working on card from the payroll dept.

Next Meeting date: will be held on September 11, 2009 in H119 @ 9:30 am.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:29 am.

Submitted by: Robert Booth (Secretary)

Reviewed by: Robin Watkins (President)