

**San Diego Mesa College
Classified Senate
Meeting Notes**

Thursday, February 14, 2019
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., LRC-LOFT

ATTENDEES/ PROXIES	<i>Executive Officers</i>	<i>Ad Hoc Positions</i>
	Trina Larson, President	Naayieli Bravo
	Yolanda Catano, Vice President (absent)	Jacqueline Collins (absent)
	Alan Goodman, Senate Manager	Sahar (Mona) King (absent)
	Charlie Lieu, Treasurer	Anda McComb (absent)
	Angie Avila, Member at Large	Danielle Short
		Brandon Terrell (absent)
	<i>Senators</i>	
	Johanna Aleman	
	Jennifer Phelps	<i>Attendees</i>
	Marco Chavez	Catherine Cannock
	Leanne Kunkee	
	Eva Parrill	
	Diana Solares	

Agenda Item 1: Call to Order:

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting was called to order by Larson at 10:15am
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Agenda Item 2: Review and Approval of Minutes:

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> December 13, 2018 minutes – approved January 10, 2019 minutes – approved
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ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> upload minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Before next meeting

Agenda Item 3: Welcome/Introductions:

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senate members and attendees introduced themselves
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Agenda Item 4: Executive Board & Senator Reports:

DISCUSSION	<p>a) President- Trina Larson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cancel March 28 meeting during spring break due to many absences Acknowledgement from Foundation that our donation has changed lives New VPI, Dr. Isabel O'Connor, is going to join us at our next meeting College received a \$38k block grant to be administered by the LOFT Olivia has a conflicting meeting due to Strong Workforce <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jennifer will take over Counseling liaison Johanna will take over Transfer, Career, and Evaluations <p>b) Vice President- Yolanda Catano</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report <p>c) Senate Manager- Alan Goodman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report <p>d) Treasurer- Charlie Lieu</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: 40px;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="3" style="text-align: center;">Classified Senate Account</th> </tr> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Date</th> <th colspan="2" style="text-align: center;">Account Summary</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td style="color: green;"><i>Checking Account as of 1/15/19</i></td> <td style="text-align: right;">3,362.48</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">02/13/19</td> <td>Classified Senate Dues (Jan. 2019)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">109.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="color: red; text-align: center;">Check #192</td> <td style="color: red;">Borderless Angels (not cashed yet)</td> <td style="color: red; text-align: right;">\$100</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="color: green;"><i>Checking Account</i></td> <td style="text-align: right;">3,471.48</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="color: green;"><i>Primary Savings</i></td> <td style="text-align: right;">416.14</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="color: green;"><i>Savings</i></td> <td style="text-align: right;">56.54</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">3,944.16</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="color: green;"><i>Classified Senate School/Foundation</i></td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$1,000.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Classified Senate Account			Date	Account Summary			<i>Checking Account as of 1/15/19</i>	3,362.48	02/13/19	Classified Senate Dues (Jan. 2019)	109.00	Check #192	Borderless Angels (not cashed yet)	\$100					<i>Checking Account</i>	3,471.48		<i>Primary Savings</i>	416.14		<i>Savings</i>	56.54		Total	3,944.16					<i>Classified Senate School/Foundation</i>	\$1,000.00
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	<p>e) Member at Large- Angie Avila</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report <p>f) Senator Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leanne <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Leadership Development Committee members will likely be joining our upcoming meetings as part of their homework ○ Received accolades regarding collaboration with CE Classified Senate and other District senates ○ San Diego Center for Children – setting up a day to make Mother’s Day cards, CS members are invited and encouraged to participate; Leanne to take over Xmas Bazaar organization <p>g) Ad-hoc Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report <p>h) AFT Liaison Report- Danielle Short, JD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hot Cocoa social today • CFT convention is March 22-24 • AFT sick leave bank nearly depleted, seeking sick leave donations • Approved Grossmont Cuyamaca contract after 2 years of negotiations (no RAF in their contract)
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ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • update agenda sidebar with updated liaison assignments from 4a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trina/Alan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • next agenda

Agenda Item 5: Governance Corner:

DISCUSSION	a)		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 	

Agenda Item 6: Committee & Department Reports

DISCUSSION	<p>a) Classified Equity Taskforce (Larson, Cataño)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report 		
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b) Immigrant Students (Cataño) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report c) Mesa Pathways (Larson/Cataño/Picolla) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report d) Caring Campus (Larson, Cataño) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report e) Strong Workforce: Proposal (King) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report f) Student Equity (Aleman) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report 	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
• none	• n/a	• n/a

Agenda Item 7: Activity Reports/Updates/Activities

DISCUSSION	a)	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
• none	• n/a	• n/a

Agenda Item 8: New Business

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Retirement Gift – Cherri Sawyer retiring Feb. 28 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes, \$50 gift approved b) Spring Fundraiser (Lieu) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 6-10 to coincide with Teacher Appreciation Week • Subcommittee = Charlie, Leanne, Jeanette, Diana • Brainstorming ideas, submit to Charlie if you have ideas 	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> submit fundraising ideas to Charlie 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> all 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> next meeting
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Agenda Item 9: Old Business:

DISCUSSION	<p>a) 4CS Membership Dues – Follow Up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have not recently paid dues, but historically used to pay dues Trina to get invoice amount, check with other District senates to see if they pay <p>b) Scholarship Update (Lieu)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline for applications is Feb 19 (so far 8 applicants, 7 pending) CS offering 2 scholarships at \$500 each (1 full time, 1 part time) Nayelli, Charlie, Eva, Jennifer, Trina <p>c) Spring Semester Projects: Classified Gift (Alan)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classified gift = \$2.99 each @ qty 300; use CS for placeholder picture and message on the other side <p>d) Classified Appreciation Lunch: Theme and Menu (All)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adventure into the future/pathways/journey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Camping type food: grilled sliders/mini hot dogs/veggie option, carne asada/pollo asada, kebabs?, potatoes, beans, mac salad, potato salad, s'mores Maybe use Culinary Arts for all/part, also Catherine and Leanne to check on alternate catering options = 150 people Trina and Yolanda to meet with Pam beginning of March to confirm budget 	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> get official quote for gifts check on non-Mesa catering options, get quotes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alan Catherine, Leanne 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> next meeting next meeting

Agenda Item 10: Announcements/Events:

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AFT Hot Cocoa Social, Feb 14, 2:30-3:30, LOFT
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classified Appreciation Lunch: May 8, 2019, 12-2, MC-211A/B Classified Leadership Institute: Granlibakken, Tahoe City, June 13-15
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Agenda Item 11: Roundtable:

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eva – putting together Classified Book Club, seeking book recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kicking off during ClassiCon, meet once for 1-2hrs over the summer “You Are a Badass” “Outliers” or new Malcom Gladwell book “Daring Greatly” Send additional suggestions to Eva Johanna – next Farmers Market February 21, seeking volunteers 		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> send book suggestions to Eva 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> all 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> asap 	

Agenda Item 12: Next Meeting:

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> February 28, 2019 – 10-11:30am, I4-402
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Agenda Item 13: Adjournment:

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting was adjourned by Larson at 11:15am
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Taken by Alan Goodman, Senate Manager
Submitted by Alan Goodman, Senate Manager
Approved on: _____



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Labor Council in San Diego On Board With the Green New Deal

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The San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council Passes Resolution in Support of a Green New Deal

Sometimes the unexpected happens. Last year, during one of her first visits to the Capitol as a newly elected member of the House of Representatives, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez made headlines by joining a group of young activists from the Sunrise Movement protesting outside Nancy Pelosi's office and calling for a Green New Deal (<https://obrag.org/2018/11/new-deeds-for-new-young-activists-and-alexandria-ocasio-cortez-demand-a-green-new-deal/>). Since that time, Pelosi has formed a committee to address the idea, but, even more importantly, a Green New Deal has emerged as one of the key progressive

talking points in the early days of the Democratic presidential race, forcing even some reluctant candidates to at least give it a nod.

Not surprisingly, probable candidate Bernie Sanders is at the front of the line, but he has been joined by Elizabeth Warren, Kamala Harris, and even some less likely suspects who despite their "centrism" seemed to feel it necessary to voice qualified if grudging support to some form (https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/the-green-new-deal-a-green-new-deal-whatever-it-is-2020-democrats-support-it/2019/01/30/a75166d4-2340-11e9-ad53-824486280311_story.html?utm_term=.91a24b404286) of a Green New Deal.

That, dear reader, is how the discourse can be changed when progressives come out with unapologetically bold proposals that inspire the political imagination. Thus, in the dark days of the Trump follies, it is pleasantly surprising to see the Green New Deal emerge as a litmus test of sorts for his would-be replacements.

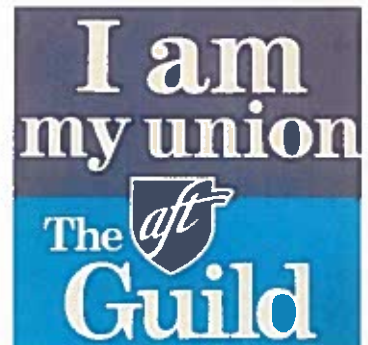
Of course, at this point, the idea of a Green New Deal funded by something like a wealth tax (<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/01/28/opinion/elizabeth-warren-tax-plan.html>) or an increase in the marginal tax rate (<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/01/05/opinion/alexandria-ocasio-cortez-tax-policy-dance.html>) on the rich up to 70-80% (as it was in the middle part of the last century) is largely aspirational until we get a change in the White House and Senate. Nonetheless, it is worth considering what such a policy should include at present even if all that does is move the national discourse away from braindead climate denial to a fresh call for urgent and dramatic change.

So what would a Green New Deal entail and why should working people support it? Jeremy Brecher and Joe Uehlein give us a pithy summary in a recent *In These Times* (http://inthesetimes.com/working/entry/21634/labor_green_new_deal_ocasio_cortez_sunrise_movement_unions) piece "12 Reasons Labor Should Demand a Green New Deal":

The Green New Deal is a program that all trade unionists and advocates for working people can and should get behind.



(<https://aftguild.org/Categories/adjunct-equity>)



(<https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/guild-local-1931-sdccc-faculty>)

While there are a variety of detailed proposals for a Green New Deal, Alexandria Ucasio-Lortez proposal promises to create millions of jobs through building a new 100%-renewable electrical system and a national "smart grid," retrofitting residential and industrial buildings, and building a new, low-emission transportation system.

It also seeks to end the epidemic of poverty by mitigating deeply entrenched racial, regional and gender-based inequalities in income and wealth and distributing federal aid and other investment equitably to historically impoverished and marginalized communities.

At its core, the Green New Deal would work toward saving the climate by meeting scientific targets for the reduction of greenhouse gases, investing in the drawdown and capture of greenhouse gases, and making "green" technology a major export of the United States to help other countries transition to carbon-neutral economies.

Brecher and Uehlein go on to outline why labor should robustly support such a program citing the need to avert climate catastrophe, providing jobs for all, abolishing poverty, rebuilding the labor movement, uniting the working class, winning wide support for a labor-friendly program, building a powerful union-friendly coalition, unifying labor and environmental groups, challenging the corporate domination of the Democratic Party, strengthening worker bargaining power, expanding union apprenticeships and training, and establishing a standard for how politicians can claim to be friends of labor.

Still, many of the specific details of this type of program, such as the climate jobs guarantee, remain a work in progress and, as the young activists from the Sunrise Movement and their allies in Congress have made clear, they want to hear from unions.

In that spirit, the San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council's Environmental Caucus brought the following resolution to the entire Labor Council at the January meeting and it was overwhelmingly passed. Those of us in the local labor movement hope this resolution, the first of its kind from an American Labor Council, will serve as a touchstone to help spark and guide a larger discussion inside the American labor movement and elsewhere:

San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council Resolution in Support of a Green New Deal with Strong Labor Provisions

WHEREAS, the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change has determined humanity has twelve years to act to avert the worst effects of a climate catastrophe; and

WHEREAS, climate change poses an immediate and long-term threat to all working people, our communities and our economic security; and

WHEREAS, workers, communities of color and low-income people suffer disproportionately from environmental degradation and climate change; and

WHEREAS, climate change is already harming working families and vulnerable populations through extreme hurricanes, wildfire, drought and flooding, increased stress on the agricultural sector, health impacts like heat stroke and the spread of infectious diseases; and

WHEREAS, without taking concrete action now to address the climate crisis, the well-being and economic future of generations of people will be severely and irreversibly jeopardized; and

WHEREAS, young climate activists and some members of Congress have successfully put the Green New Deal at the center of national discussion about how to address both the climate crisis and our historic level of economic inequality; and

WHEREAS, if climate action is to address inequality, the labor movement must be at the center of shaping climate policies to include just transition for workers, expand collective bargaining rights and create green union careers, particularly in disadvantaged communities; and

WHEREAS, workers in existing jobs, including firefighters, nurses, construction workers, public transit workers, many in the public sector, and many more are already mitigating the health and environmental effects of climate change, preparing our infrastructure for sea level rise, and advancing California's clean energy economy through a variety of ways; and

WHEREAS, with the support of the State Building and Construction Trades Council of California, AFL-CIO, California has adopted a goal of 100% renewable and zero-carbon electricity and has demonstrated that clean energy industries can create good, middle-class jobs when linked with collective bargaining agreements; and

WHEREAS, the American Federation of Teachers, the Service Employees International Union, the California Nurses Association, the Labor Network for Sustainability, the Blue Green Alliance, and other labor organizations and their community allies have passed resolutions and/or supported bold policies to address the climate crisis and other pressing environmental issues

WHEREAS, the Environmental Caucus of the San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council Environmental Caucus Mission Statement, unanimously approved by the Labor Council Delegates commits the Labor Council to "Pushing for bold new political and policy initiatives that move beyond lip service to effectively address the two great issues of our age—historic economic inequality and climate change."

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council, AFL-CIO supports a Green New Deal that expands collective bargaining and ensures the creation of union jobs through card check neutrality agreements, prevailing wages, project labor agreements, enacting the provisions of the Employee Free Choice Act and requiring direct partnerships with joint labor-management apprenticeship programs; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council, AFL-CIO supports a Green New Deal prioritizing projects, union career opportunities and investments in working-class, low-income and communities of color historically and disproportionality impacted by pollution, high unemployment, poverty and environmental injustice; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council, AFL-CIO supports a Green New Deal that includes a fair and equitable Just Transition for workers impacted by a transitioning economy including a fund to provide severance packages, lifetime income, free education and family healthcare; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council, AFL-CIO supports a Green New Deal that includes Buy America provisions.

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council, AFL-CIO will advocate for a Green New Deal with strong labor provisions in concert with our environmental and community partners.

Source: <https://obrag.org/2019/02/labor-council-in-san-diego-on-board-with-the-green-new-deal/>
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