

MEETING MINUTES
Representative Council Meeting
Irvine Valley College, LSB 103, 3:00-5:00pm
November 4, 2019

Officers Present:

Kurt Meyer, Irvine Valley College
Lewis Long, Irvine Valley College
Mark Blethen, Saddleback College
Frank Gonzalez, Saddleback College
Parisa Soltani, Irvine Valley College
Jenny Langrell, Saddleback College

Grievance Chairs Present:

Kathy Schmiedler, Irvine Valley College

Representatives from Irvine Valley College present:

Parisa Soltani, GC
Ted Weatherford, KHA
Virginia Shank, HUM
Daniel Verrnaza, HUM
Carlo Chan, MCSE
Melanie Haeri, LLR
Kathy Schmiedler, LST
Amy Stinson, PST
Ray Chandos, IDEA

Representatives from Saddleback College present:

Sharon Nussenbaum, CS
Norm Weston, FA
Mark Blethen, KNES
Jennifer Rohles, KNES
Joshua Pryor, LA
Janine O'Buchon, HSHS
Frank Gonzalez, MSE
Jenny Langrell, OELR
Ardith Lynch SESP

Part-time Representatives present:

Nany Allah (SC)
Susan Bliss (SC)
Karyn Bower (SC)

1. Call to Order – Kurt M. 3:16pm
2. Introduction of Guests (3 minutes)

- a) Evangeline Matthews, PT ESL Faculty and Statewide CCA Board Member, Representing District I/Cerritos/Palomar CC. Candidate for Representative 6.
 - b) Eric Kaljumagi, CCA President
 - c) Robin Devitt, CTA
 - d) F. Fazeli, PT Mathematics, Irvine Valley College
3. Adoption of Agenda (3 minutes)
 - a) Motion to adopt the agenda made by Kathy S. and seconded by Amy S.;
 - b) Unanimously approved
 4. Approval of Minutes –Oct. 7, 2019 (5 minutes)
 - a) Motion to adopt the agenda made by Kathy S. and seconded by Amy S.;
 - b) Unanimously approved; Abstentions - Virginia S., Ted W. and Norm W.
 5. “Schools and Communities First” Initiative Update – Robin Devitt, CTA UniServ Regional Services Consultant to Community Colleges (20 minutes)
 - a) Robin provided a hand-out about “Schools & Communities First” and showed a video (Robert Reich) about CA business taxes.
 - b) She asked us to circulate a petition, which was provided.
 6. Community College Association Site Visit – CCA President Eric Kaljumagi (10 minutes)
 - a) Here to find out about your advocacy interests. February conference in San Diego. Spring conference is in Irvine.
 7. Part-Time Committee Report – Beth Clary (5 minutes)
 - a) Susan B.: flier about upcoming Unemployment Workshop, please post in your division/department.
 8. Communications Committee Report – Parisa Soltani (5 minutes)
 - a) Winter CCA Conference (see below #18.c. for details)
 9. Membership Report – Jenny Langrell (5 minutes)
 - a) Jenny L.: provided membership report to each representative. This month we hired 10 new PT faculty and added 2 new members. Steady growth, typically more members at the start of each semester.
 10. Treasurer’s Report – Frank Gonzalez (5 minutes)

- a) Frank G.: green handout was provided. Nothing out of the ordinary.
11. MOU Approval Process – Lewis Long (5 minutes)
- a) Lewis L.: 2-part discussion. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) approval process. By law, we are supposed to approve MOUs by our membership. We need to establish a general practice on how MOUs are handled – currently, our FA Bylaws do not have a process for MOUs. Bylaw’s need 2/3 votes of membership for any change. Draft and bring back a standing rule for the MOU process. I recommend it mimic the contract approval language.
- b) Lewis L: today I would like the Rep Council to approve the current MOU and have a review period from November 4-15th and we can take it to the BoT on November 18th (next BoT meeting).
- c) Motion to follow the MOU process (*below*) made by Kathy S. and seconded by Melanie H.
- d) Unanimously approved;
- Rep council approval (today, 11/4/19)
 - 10-day review (11/4/19- 11/15/19)
 - On-line ratification vote (11/18/19-11/22/19)
 - Board approval (11/18/19)
12. Negotiations Report – Lewis Long (10 minutes)
- a) COLA MOU
- b) Lewis L: on 10/31/19, the District came back with a proposal we (FA) accepted. A hand-out was provided.
- c) Motion to accept the COLA MOU made by Ted W. and seconded by Ardith L.;
- d) Unanimously approved;
13. Organizing Committee Report – Lewis Long (5 minutes)
14. 2020 Negotiating Team Members: Appointments and Rep Council Approval – Kurt Meyer (10 minutes)
- a) Kurt M.: Claire C. as Chief Negotiator, Mark B. Susan B., Jenny L., Parisa S., Melanie H. and Kurt M. I am asking the Rep Council to approve my recommendations for the 2020 Negotiating Team members.
- b) Motion made to approve the Negotiating team members made by Kathy S. and seconded by Lewis L.
- c) Unanimously approved; Abstentions: Mark B., Jenny L., Susan B. and Parisa S.

15. Political Action Committee (PAC) Report: PAC Meeting Dec. 2, 5-6pm, Saddleback College, AGB Conference Room – Kurt Meyer (5 minutes)
 - a) Kurt M.: we need to make sure we are on the CTA mailer. We need to talk about deadlines for applying for ABC funds. If you are a PAC rep. please plan on staying after the next Representative Council meeting on December 2nd.
16. “Reps’ Reports” (10 minutes)
 - a) Kathy Schmeidler, LST – evaluation of PT faculty members. Should a FT faculty member have to evaluate a PT faculty member and the evaluation is below standard, then it reverts to the Dean. Now, there are real consequences for below standard evaluations for PTs done by FT faculty members. FT faculty should seek Dean before completing an evaluation that is below standard. The Dean should then complete the entire evaluation.
 - b) Virginia Shank, HUM – academic calendar concerns
17. Administrative Retreat Rights – Kurt Meyer (5 minutes)
18. Announcements (10 minutes):
 - a) CCA 2019 Fall Conference Attendance Survey Results – tabled unit next meeting
 - b) Regional Collective Bargaining Conference (Regional Hunter College Conference) Cal State Long Beach December 6-7

<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07egd2vscfadb740fd&llr=aw94hvcab>
 - c) CCA Winter Conference, DoubleTree San Diego Mission Valley, February 7-9. A new cohort for the California Leadership Academy will begin; please consider signing up.
19. Other (5 minutes)
20. **Next Representative Council Meeting**

Monday, December 2, 2019, 3-5:00pm, Saddleback College, AGB Conference Room

Adjourn – 5:10 pm