

MEETING MINUTES
Representative Council Meeting
Irvine Valley College, LSB 104, 3:00-5:00pm
February 3, 2020

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
Beth Clary, Saddleback College

Grievance Chairs Present:

Kathy Schmiedler, Irvine Valley College
Claire Cesareo, Saddleback College

Representatives from Irvine Valley College present:

Daniel Verrnaza, HUM
Ted Weatherford, KHA
Melanie Haeri, LLR
Carlo Chan, MCSE
Amy Stinson, PST

Representatives from Saddleback College present:

Blake Stephens, ATAS
Don Bowman, BS
Sharon Nussenbaum, CS
Norman Weston, FA
Janine O'Buchon, HSHS
Jennifer Rohles, KNES
Joshua Pryor, LA
Frank Gonzalez, MSE
Jenny Langrell, OELR
Christina Ghanbarpour, SBS
Ardith Lynch, SESP

Part-time Representatives present:

Nancy Allah (SC)
Susan Bliss (SC)
Karyn Bower (SC)
Noushin Seddighzadeh (SC)

1. Call to Order – 3:13 pm, Kurt M.
2. Introduction of Guests (3 minutes)

- a) Farima Fazeli, IVC PT Mathematics instructor
 - b) Eric Kaljumagi, CTA President
 - c) Marianne Wolfe, IVC FT Counselor running for Exec. (Secretary)
3. Adoption of Agenda (3 minutes)
- a) Move to make amendment to agenda by Kathy S. and seconded by Lewis L.
 - b) Unanimously approved.
4. Approval of Minutes –Dec. 2, 2019 (5 minutes)
- a) Motion made by Lewis L. to approve meeting minutes, and seconded by Don B.
 1. Added Christina Ghanbarpour, SBS, to attendee list
 - b) Unanimously approved with amendment.
5. Eric Kaljumagi, CTA President
- a) Provided initiative pages (increasing funding to public schools, community colleges and local government services) and wants faculty to collect signatures to decrease the number of FA paid signatures. These should be returned to our local representatives by March 1st.
 - b) Challenge to prop 13 (commercial and industrial properties only)
 - c) <https://www.schoolsandcommunitiesfirst.org>
6. Part-Time Committee Report – Beth Clary (5 minutes)
- a) “How to Interview for a FTF Position” (Friday, March 6th at IVC, 1-3pm) and “Unemployment” (Friday, May 1 at SVEA, 12:30 – 2pm) workshops. A hand-out was provided in your packet. Please post in your respective areas.
7. Communications Committee Report – Parisa Soltani (5 minutes)
- a) Nothing to report
8. Membership Report – Jenny Langrell (5 minutes)
- a) Jenny L. passed out a list of members and non-members to each representative in their respective areas.
 - b) Any questions about membership should be directed to Jenny Langrell (jangrell@saddleback.edu)
 - c) Chairs, please direct new hires to the Membership Chair for information on membership.
9. Treasurer’s Report – Frank Gonzalez (5 minutes)

- a) Provided green hand-out.
 - b) Foundation award dinner (March 14, 2020). We purchased a table that seats 10. Parisa S. will solicit interest from Exec, then Representative Council and finally the entire faculty body.
10. Grievance Chairs Update – Kurt Meyer & Grievance Chairs (5 minutes)
- a) Mark B. acting grievance co-chair at IVC in Dan D. absence. Kurt M. wanted to thank all the various grievance chairs for their service - Kathy, Margot, Dan, Claire and Mark.
 - b) CCA/CTA offers a great training for potential grievance chairs – if you are interested, please email kmeyer@ivc.edu (current FA president) or llong@ivc.edu (incoming FA president)
11. Faculty Association Elections Update – Kurt Meyer (10 minutes)
- a) Kurt M. - chosen by the membership. An election committee is selected (not those on Exec.). Help announce election, distribution of ballots, tally of ballots and announce selected members). Serve to announce and oversee election. The election committee must be comprised of at least 3 people, which includes the chair. Potential candidates must provide, in writing, by March 30th to the election committee. March 30th – April 17th notice of election. Voting would take place April 20-24th. Results would be announced 3 days after the closing of elections.
12. Political Action Committee (PAC) Update – Kurt Meyer (5 minutes)
- a) Kurt M. – we need you and your colleagues in identifying strong candidate, especially in AREA 1 (Lang). We would like to apply for ABC funds. We need to be included on the CTA mailer this year – last time we were not. We need to have a stronger social media presence. Eric K. recommended we contact Irvine Unified School District. Lewis L. suggested contacting TJ Prendergast.
13. Board Policy/Administrative Regulations (BPARC) Update – Kurt Meyer & Mark Blethen (10 minutes)
- a) FA was asked for feedback on AR 4090 (Evaluating of Management Personnel) by February 18th to BPARC. A handout of the AR was provided.
 - b) Lewis L. made a motion to FA Rep Council to direct BPARC to take a proportional randomized sample of all those under the direct supervision of the contributor, excluding PT employees. Seconded by Kathy S.
 - c) Motion unanimously approved.
14. “Reps’ Reports” (10 minutes)
- a) None

15. Negotiations Report – Claire Cesareo (10 minutes)

- a) Claire C. – starting negotiation process (current contract ends June 2021). We are currently collecting information. We had a Townhall meeting during spring 2020 flex week. We sent an email soliciting feedback from faculty members. We will then develop a survey and intend to send the survey before spring break. Based on faculty feedback, we will develop a sunshine proposal. We have a new timeline and we hope to avoid working without a contract. We take into consideration items we see frequently in grievance.

Motion made by Kathy S. to extend our meeting by 5 minutes. Seconded by Melanie H.

16. Announcements (10 minutes):

- a) CCA Winter Conference, DoubleTree San Diego Mission Valley, February 7-9.
 - 1. Melanie H. and Jenny L. will be attending.
- b) IVC Foundation Awards Dinner Saturday, March 14, 5pm, Fete the Venue, Costa Mesa
- c) “How to Interview for a Full-Time Faculty Position” Workshop

17. Other (5 minutes)

18. **Next Representative Council Meeting**

Monday, March 2, 2020, 3-5:00pm, Saddleback College, AGB Conference Room

Adjourn meeting in honor of our colleague Dale Carranza, IVC Chemistry faculty member. Motion made by Kathy S. to adjourn meeting seconded by Amy S.