

SAN DIEGO CITY COLLEGE CLASSIFIED SENATE

Classified Senate
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Joanne Millum
Lori Oldham

Next meeting date:

**Thursday,
August 25
11:00 a.m.
Room D-102
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*All who have meditated on the
art of governing mankind
have been convinced that the
fate of empires depends on
the education of youth.*

Aristotle (384-322 B.C.)

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Meeting Minutes of July 21, 2005

PRESENT: Earline Barrett, Susan Chandler, Susan Gregory, Zdenka Geisberg, Lydia D. Gonzales, Joanne Millum, Debbie Reed, Desiree van Saanen

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Feedback from the Classified Employee Service Awards Reception - Desiree reported positive feedback from those attending the May 2005 Classified Employee Service Awards program. It was noted that the event is relatively expensive, costing approximately \$1000 for catering and décor. However, after discussing the matter with President Burgess, who covers half of the cost through the ASP fund, it was decided to maintain the event at a comparable standard each year to ensure it remains a positive and meaningful occasion. The Classified Senate will continue budgeting for this event and conduct fundraisers as needed to pay for half of the cost.

Senate members also discussed the selection process for the Outstanding Classified Employee of the Year. Some people have expressed preference for a more comprehensive selection process resembling the one that was utilized last year. During last year's process, nominators described how their candidate promoted student success, District/College values and/or contributed to the community. Each senate member was then asked to score each entry based on the descriptions only (nominee names being removed or blocked on the form). Many folks felt that this process was fair and meaningful. Desiree will check with the Cheryl Witt's office to ensure a new protocol is feasible. Then, she will present it to the full classified employee cast (possibly through a DL) for a college-wide vote. A final tally and resolution should be reached before the close of fall-05.

Classified Employee Convocation and Ice Cream Social—President Burgess indicated he will speak with Chancellor Carroll during Chancellor's Cabinet to receive an update on the staffing study and related timelines. He and Desiree are scheduled to give a PowerPoint presentation on the topic during the July 28 Classified Employee Convocation. Desiree distributed a copy of the latest information provided by Hay representatives, which will also be distributed July 28. The Convocation will also feature a special guest speaker. Pat Murray, Grossmont College Classified Senate President and 4CS Regional representative, will speak on building alliances and morale on campus.

Several managers have already agreed to be ice cream "scoopers" including President Burgess, Carol Dexheimer, Ron Manzoni, Gerald Ramsey, and Marianne Tortorici. *Thanks to all of you!* Debbie Reed indicated that she could provide ice from the biology lab's ice maker. Desiree will check with Kathy McGinnis and the Athletics department to see if we can borrow ice chests for this event.

CCLDI Leadership Conference Report—Desiree announced she recently returned from a week-long conference at USD of the Community College Leadership Development Institute. The conference focused on numerous topics including concepts and techniques on conflict management, ethics, connective leadership, Myers Briggs Inventory, systems thinking, and diversity. Desiree indicated that one speaker in particular, Lillian Roybal Rose, who presented on "The Multiple Dimensions of Diversity" was especially dynamic and humanistic in context and approach. President Burgess will look into the possibility of hiring Mrs. Roybal Rose to speak at City College and sister institutions in the future. It was also suggested that information on Roybal-Rose be forwarded to the World Cultures department.

II. REPORT FROM TREASURER

Susan Chandler, Treasurer, reported that \$181.00 was raised to date for the Opportunity Drawing. Earline and Desiree will do a final walk-around next week to boost sales. Ticket sales will continue through the Classified Convocation on July 28, with the winner announced at 2:30 p.m. Susan further reported that the See's Candy fund is up to \$210.00.

III. COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE REPORTS –

District Strategic Council—Desiree reported that the Environmental Scans Committee, which is a subgroup of the District Strategic Planning Council, has selected a vendor to perform a district-wide environmental assessment. The company—CFI—was chosen based on its global and educationally-based experience. CFI and its project manager, Dr. Ted Egan, will work with our the subgroup to identify environmental indicators (i.e., types of jobs in the area, incomes, household dependents, etc.) that are represented by colleges and the communities they serve. Dr. Egan will also coordinate efforts with the district web master to build a website for District Strategic Planning, which in part will be devoted to this project. Desiree urged those who would like to learn more about the project to contact her directly.