



CALIFORNIA SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

Merced Community College – Merced Chapter #274

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Chapter Meeting Minutes

March 16, 2016 --- Student Union Room #137



CALL TO ORDER: Kristi Wolf, President at 12:10 p.m. With 17 members present, a quorum was established.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Kristi Wolf, President.

INVITED GUESTS: Laurie Mitchell, Adam Uplinger, Carmen Alessandro, Carlo Morin

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: January 20 and February 17, 2016 – Tabled until next meeting

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE: Kristi Wolf – Kristi informed us that on April 4th and 5th from 10:30a – 2p we've been asked to man a table out in the quad to help with getting signatures on the Prop. 30 extension. The faculty will already be out there and so we will be piggy-backing with their effort. We also received a communication from the Association announcing that President Bilbrey has resigned and so the first Vice-President, Ben Valdepena has stepped up into that role.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Kristi Wolf – No report.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Maria Soto – Checking Balance = \$1,911.71. Savings Balance = \$7,014.31.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTIONS – None taken.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Member Unity Program (MUP) – Kristi Wolf: Kristi talked about the Bingo Night & Potluck we held on Friday, March 4th. It was well attended—21 people including members and their family members and/or friends. We gave out 12 prizes plus our grand prize which was half of all proceeds earned. We collected \$221 so half we donated to the Classified Professional Development Day fund and the other half of \$110.50 went to the grand prize winner which was Gloriana Luna's son-in-law. It was great fun and Freddy Loera did an excellent job as emcee. We submitted our MUP Budget, which was due by the first of the month. Along with that, we had to show that the chapter would incorporate some funds into it as well; so we opted for \$400 to come from our chapter funds. There are certain things that the MUP funds would not pay for such as gift cards and tickets, which is where our chapter funds would come into play for our campaign. Now we need chapter for approval since it is over \$100.
 - ✓ Motion for: *Chapter contribution of \$400 to the MUP Budget* was made by: Steve Welch, seconded by: Diana Butts
 - The motion was Carried 14; Defeated 0. With 0 objections, approved as read.
- Relay for Life is April 23rd and we are partnering with Merced City Schools Chapter 530. This is also another event as part of our MUP campaign. We're ordering a few items as giveaways for this event and are still working on the planning stages at this point.

NEW BUSINESS

- Area E Alternate Director Candidates – This item was moved to the top of the agenda to allow the candidates to speak first then be on their way. Kristi introduced the Area E Alternate Director Candidates and each one gave a brief overview of themselves and why they are running.
- Area E Leadership Institute – Kristi announced this at the last meeting and didn't have all the details yet because they weren't quite out at that time. This is a conference put on by our Area E Director for E-Board and Negotiators every two years, but is only offered on a first-come, first-serve basis. The fee for the conference is \$25 per person which would be covered by the chapter. Seven of us will be attending this year: Kristi, Rosalie, Diana, Nora, Angelica, Maria and Christine. Kristi received the info on a Monday and submitted our response on Tuesday, and by Tuesday afternoon everything was already booked up. Since a reply was required right away, Kristi went ahead and submitted our info without prior chapter approval (required because it totals more than \$100). Now she is asking for retroactive chapter approval.

- ✓ Motion for: *retroactive approval on February 29, 2016 of \$175 payment for E-Board members and Negotiators to attend the Area E Leadership Institute* was made by: Ira Jones, seconded by: Steve Welch
 - The motion was Carried 14; Defeated 0. With 0 objections, approved as read.
- Nominations for Conference Delegate and Alternates – Kristi stated that our chapter gets two delegates to attend Conference which is August 1-4th this year and she will be going on July 31st because there are things going on the 31st. It is San Jose this year so no flying is required. Our by-laws state that the President goes along with one other member and we also nominate at least two alternates. She has already reserved the room because those are going fast as well. None of the members in attendance expressed an interest in attending so there were no nominations at this time. Kristi will go back to her desk after this meeting and send out an email seeking nominations for delegates. We will then vote at the April chapter meeting.
- Smoke-Free Campus – Rosalie mentioned that this was brought up at our last meeting. She stated that Chris Vitelli would be presenting this Smoke-Free Campus initiative to the Board of Trustees in April. If it goes through, it would be effective January 1, 2017. So if our members have any concerns regarding this, we'll need to discuss and do something now because by the time our next chapter meeting is in April, the Board meeting will have already happened. The recommendation from the task force is that we go completely smoke and tobacco free. The final decision is ultimately up to the Board. There was discussion regarding a survey that was sent out yet the results of the survey not being shared with the campus.
- Internal Transfer Process – Rosalie discussed this process; however, she mentioned that there have been some small changes and that the District may not necessarily be following the procedure properly. She wanted to reiterate that anyone who undergoes this process, is not to go on a second interview (especially with the Dean or VP), this process should only be with the standing transfer committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

↓ CSEA Related Committees

- ◆ **Auditing Committee** – Maria Soto: No report.
- ◆ **Central Labor Council** – Christine Grimaldi Clarkson: Written report submitted. At the last meeting we discussed – 1.) Political Organizer Apprenticeship Program hosted by the North Valley Labor Federation. This will train members as leads and coordinators for political/campaign work in unions. It is FREE and takes place in Merced Thursdays 5:30-8:30 pm between April 14 and May 6. For more information contact Christine Grimaldi Clarkson at ext. 6019, or Tom Robertson at twrobertson@gmail.com. 2.) The Union Yes Dinner will take place this Saturday, March 19 at the Italo-American Lodge. The deadline has passed to purchase tickets, but I bet they could still use more volunteers. 3.) Next meeting is tonight, March 16 at 6:30 pm, 610 W. Main St. Our members are welcome to attend.
- ◆ **Membership Committee** – Rosalie Kekahuna: No report.
- ◆ **Negotiations Committee** – Christine Grimaldi Clarkson: No report.
- ◆ **Pre-Retirement Committee** – Irma Martin: Not present.
- ◆ **Scholarship Committee** – Hasn't met yet.
- ◆ **Sunshine Committee** – Maria Soto: No report.
- **Ad-Hoc (Special) Committees**
 - **Activities (CSEA Week) Committee** – Angelica Collins & Maria Soto: No report.
 - **By-Laws Committee** – Rosalie Kekahuna: No action required at this time.
 - **Elections Committee** – Rosalie Kekahuna: No report.
 - **Re-Class Committee** – Angelica Collins/Maria Soto/Charlene Reed: No report.

↓ Shared Governance Committees

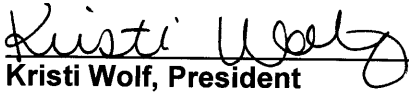
- ◆ **Administrative Services Master Planning Committee (ASMPC)** – Ramon Avila, Jr.: Not present.
- ◆ **Board of Trustees** – Kristi Wolf: No report.
- ◆ **Budget Committee** – Liveth Barragan: No report.
- ◆ **College Council** – Kristi Wolf: No report.
- ◆ **Educational Master Planning Committee (EMPC)** – Kristi Wolf: No report.
- ◆ **Facilities Master Planning Committee (FMPC)** – Richard "Z" Zeunges: No report.
- ◆ **Foundation Committee** – Toni McCall: Written report submitted. The Foundation Board met on March 2nd. The Foundation is preparing for the State of the College Address/President's Luncheon on April 22nd, they have 3 corporate table sponsors and several \$500 table sponsors. They are actively seeking new Foundation Board members from the community, if anyone is aware of an interested community member please send me their contact information. Reminder March is Scholarship Month, please encourage students to apply. The application and booklet can be accessed on the Foundation webpage or the Financial Aid webpage.
- ◆ **Health & Safety Committee** – Ira Jones: No report.

- ◆ **Instructional Master Planning Committee (IMPC)** – Steve Welch: No report.
- ◆ **Staff Development Committee** – Charlene Reed: Not present.
- ◆ **Standing Accreditation Committee** – Steve Welch: No report.
- ◆ **Student Services Master Planning Committee (SSMPC)** – Shannon Gragg: Not present.
- ◆ **Student Success Support Program Advisory Committee** – Jennifer Edrington: No report.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 1:08 p.m. by Kristi Wolf, President.
Notes taken by: Angelica Collins, Chapter Secretary.

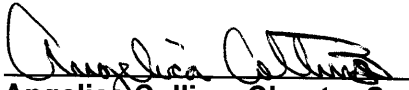
CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



Kristi Wolf, President



Rosalie Kekahuna, Vice President



Angelica Collins, Chapter Secretary