

Mt. San Antonio College Faculty Association
Representative Council Meeting Minutes - Approved
April 4, 2023 | 11:30am – 1:00pm via Zoom

Attendance: Allende, Alvarez-Galván, Anders, Benoe, Birca, Blacksher, Burman, Caldwell, Cannon, Cantrell, Christ, Crichlow, Ellwood, Engisch, Espy, Ezzell, Gethers, Greco, Heredia, Hood, Horton, Kaljumägi, Lancaster, Landeros, Loera-Ramirez, McKennon, McLaughlin, Miho, Nakamatsu, Ngo, Nguyen, Ott, Pascoe, Pellitteri, Ponce, Powell, Quinn, Rivas, Salinger, Shear, Springfield, Straw, Summers, Wasson, Wolf, Wood, Woolery

I. Call to Order

President Emily Woolery called the meeting to order at 11:45am.

II. Approval of Agenda with Flexibility

A motion was made to approve the agenda with flexibility (Landeros) and seconded (Cannon). The agenda was approved.

III. Approval of Minutes – March 7

A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes from March 7, 2023 (Wolf) and seconded (Wood). The minutes were approved.

IV. Reports

a. President – Emily Woolery

President Emily Woolery distributed a [written report](#). Emily noted that the Merged Canvas Shells Work Group has forwarded its recommendations to the Distance Learning Committee. It is hoped that the merging of Canvas class shells can begin in the upcoming fall semester. Emily congratulated the faculty who recently earned tenure.

b. Vice President – Tamra Horton

Vice President Tamra Horton distributed a [written report](#). Tamra reported that disputes were filed against two administrators for an email they sent to the manager's listserv in response to the FA President's comments at the March 8th Board of Trustees meeting.

c. Treasurer – Maya Alvarez-Galván

Treasurer Maya Alvarez-Galván presented the current [financial statement](#). Conference attendance is the largest expense this month. Maya has submitted the IRS forms for reinstatement as a tax-exempt organization.

V. Negotiations Report

- a. Organizing – Maya Alvarez-Galván: There may be need for faculty to show presence at the Board of Trustees meeting on April 12. Athletic pullovers will be purchased for the members serving on the FA Representative Council. There will be a 2-week period for try-ons for sizing at the FA Office prior to ordering. The try-on period will be announced once dates are known.

VI. Old Business – Action Items

a. Close Nominations - FA Elections

Elections Chair Phil Wolf presented the slate of nominees:

- President: Emily Woolery
- Vice President: Tamra Horton
- Secretary: Vicki Greco
- Full-time Directors (3): Eric Kaljumägi; Stephen Lancaster; David Mrofka
- Part-time Director (1): Marina McLaughlin
- AFAC Representatives
 - HSS: Ellen Straw; Anna McKennon; Doug Mullane
 - Arts: John Geiger
 - Noncredit: Marina McLaughlin
- Service Center One Council (4): Marina McLaughlin; Ellen Straw; Joseph Komrosky; Anna McKennon

- NEA Representative Assembly (6): Eric Kaljumägi; Joshua Christ; Maya Alvarez-Galván; Anna McKennon; Ellen Straw

Phil Wolf called for additional nominations from the floor. No additional nominations were made. A motion was made to close nominations (Cannon) and seconded (Wood). The motion to close nominations passed: 30 in favor; 0 opposed.

b. Bylaws Recommendations

Vice President Tamra Horton presented the revisions to the Faculty Association Bylaws, including the recommended amendments from the FA Governance Committee and from CTA. Amendments were drafted in accordance with CTA requirements, including the requirement that only members of the Executive Board and the Representative Council who are elected by the membership can serve as voting members. A motion was made to approve the amended Faculty Association Bylaws (Wolf) and seconded (Cannon). The motion passed: 30 in favor; 1 opposed; 4 abstained.

c. Mascot and Moniker – Support Academic Senate Resolution

A motion was made to support the Academic Senate’s Urging the Mt. SAC Board of Trustees to Retire the Moniker “Mountie” Resolution (Christ) and seconded (Allende). Discussion ensued. The motion passed: 26 in favor; 5 opposed; 7 abstained.

d. Increase Budgets for Accounting and Auditing Expenses and Office Equipment

A motion was made to increase the Accounting and Auditing Expenses budget line item to \$8,000 (Alvarez-Galván) and seconded (Lancaster). The motion passed: 34 in favor; 0 opposed; 2 abstained. A motion was made to increase the Office Equipment budget line item to \$6,000 (Alvarez-Galván) and second (Espy). The motion passed: 32 in favor; 0 opposed; 1 abstained.

e. Divestment Resolution – Recommend

A motion was made to approve the resolution (Allende) and seconded (Anders). Discussion took place. The motion passed: 23 in favor; 7 opposed; 7 abstained.

VII. New Business – Discussion Items

a. 2023-2024 Budget

Treasurer Maya Alvarez-Galván introduced the proposed budget for 2023-2024 fiscal year. The item will return to the next meeting under Old Business.

b. Statement for Withdrawal of Funds from First Federal Credit Union

A motion was made to suspend the rules and take action on the item (Alvarez-Galván) and seconded (Lancaster). The motion passed: 97% in favor; 3% opposed (needs 2/3 affirmative vote). A motion was made to approve the statement presented (Cannon) and seconded (Straw). The statement on the floor read as:

The Faculty Association Executive Board authorizes Maya Alvarez-Galván, treasurer for the Faculty Association, to withdraw \$120,000 from First Financial Federal Credit Union and to open 2 CDs each in the amount of \$60,000 for periods of 12 months and 24 months respectively at Chaffey Credit Union. This money should be withdrawn as a cashier’s check made out to Chaffey Credit Union.

A motion was made to make a friendly amendment to also allow for the use of a regular check made out to Chaffey Credit Union. The friendly amendment was accepted. The motion passed: 34 in favor; 0 opposed; 1 abstained.

VIII. Other Reports

- Academic Senate: No report.
- Adjunct Faculty Advisory Committee: No report.
- CCA Director J: No report.
- CTA State Council: Josh Christ distributed the [March CTA Board Report](#) and announced a GoFundMe organized for the benefit of Kashara Moore, a former part-time faculty member at Long Beach City College and current CCA Director, who was terminated by the college in the fall 2022 semester.

IX. Announcements

- Executive Board Meeting: April 11 & 25 @ 11:30am-1:00pm
- FA Elections Voting: April 11 – April 20
- Board of Trustees Meeting: April 12 @ TBA

- d. FA Cultural Event: Cheech Marin Chicano Art Center in Riverside, CA on April 14 at 10:00am-12:00pm
- e. Adjunct Faculty Open House: April 17 @ 4:00-6:00pm
- f. CCA Spring Conference & WHO Awards: April 28-30 @ Hilton Orange County/Costa Mesa
- g. Rep. Council Meeting: May 2 @ 11:30am-1:00pm
- h. Faculty Appreciation Luncheon: May 11 @ 11:00am-1:30pm in Founders Hall Living
- i. Retirement/Tenure Tea: May 16 @ 11:30am-1:00pm in Founders Hall

X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:01pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Greco