

**YOSEMITE FACULTY ASSOCIATION (YFA) UNAPPROVED
Representative Council Meeting**

**MINUTES
February 8, 2006**

Meeting is called to order by YFA President Jillian Daly at 3:00 p.m., MJC East Campus Faculty Lounge

Members Present: 22

EXECUTIVE BOARD: (1) Erik Andal, (2) Jillian Daly, (3) Cece Hudelson-Putnam, (4) Alan Layne, (5) Nancy Sill, (6) Mike Smedshammer, (7) Gene Womble, (8) Sandra Woodside.

REP COUNCIL: (9) Deborah Laffranchini (10) Michael Akard, (11) Sue Adler, (12) Jim Curl, (13) Linda Kropp, (14) Jon Kropp, (15) Dan Martin, (16) Larry Scheg, (17) Charmaine Wesley-Hartman; (18) John Mendes, (19) Deborah Laffranchini, (20) Jim Stevens, (21) David Ward; and (22) Steve Stroud.

Excused Absence : Vicki L. Nelson-Hollis, Desdemona Martinez
Absent Members : Frank Drummond
Guests : Brian Sanders, Chief Negotiator
Quorum : Established

MINUTES : TABLED.

REPORTS

TREASURER/BUDGET ANALYST NANCY SILL

Mid-Year Report/NANCY SILL. Nancy distributed the mid-year report for the YFA budget. The report contains the 2004-2005 projected numbers and the actual numbers to date.

MJC VP/PAC CECE HUDELSON-PUTNAM

Presidential Search. There was a meeting on February 3 and the team has returned to its search. Deborah Campbell was the only committee member who did not return and will be replaced with Gary Whitfield. The search committee was led through a training session by a representative from the ACCT. The ACCT will be involved throughout the process to act as a contact between presidential candidates and the Presidential Search committee. There will be a meeting on March 3 to discuss interview questions and to rate the applicants. The deadline for applying is February 28. As of last week, there were 20 applications. Interviews are presently scheduled from March 21 through 25. College-wide forums for final candidates will occur during the last week of March.

COLUMBIA VP ERIK ANDAL

Presidential Search. Micha Miller and Gene Womble are meeting with the Chancellor on February 14 to talk about the committee that will be formed.

FACULTY CONSULTANT STEVE STROUD

No report was given.

COLLEGE COUNCIL MIKE AKARD

Written report submitted.

PRESIDENT JILLIAN DALY

College Council Issues/Spring Institute Day. There will be a College Council ad hoc committee to discuss the process of Institute Days, Fall and Spring. One of the issues is Spring Institute Day and how it should be conducted, i.e., do we want to do division break-out sessions and then meet for lunch, have no speaker, etc. Recommendations were received from the floor as to how it could be improved, i.e., put Spring Institute Day later

on in the semester allowing faculty to come back from the holidays, regroup, and then have a day where issues can be discussed.

YFA Committee Members Needed (Committee Membership list distributed): There are two extremely important committees that need a YFA member, the Measure E Coordinating Committee and the MJC Strategic Planning and Budget Committee, a new committee that is being formed to create a 5-year strategic planning process for MJC. The Budget Committee, a process for which shared governance can finally take place at MJC, will make recommendations for the budget. Cece Hudelson-Putnam volunteered to sit on the Strategic Planning Committee. Erik Andal requested that Columbia College Council be added to the Committee Membership list.

Other Contract Issues/District Transfers. Jillian reported that she has occasionally attended IAC meetings in order to discuss contractual issues. The most recent issue was District initiated transfers which is going to become an important issue when the Patterson center is up and running. Article 9 of the contract is clear when it sets forth what the District must do to have a district initiated transfer.

Immediate Administrative process for evaluations. Jim Johnson will give a statement to the YFA president early each Fall of administrators who will be evaluated that year.

Important District Board Meeting, 2/15/06 (Overview of Sabbatical Leave Process distributed). Jillian reported that she has been asked to report at this meeting on the Sabbatical process, together with Jeff Weaver, Chair of the MJC Sabbatical Committee and Patricia Harrelson, Chairman of the Columbia College Sabbatical Committee. The District's concern is mainly with the travel sabbaticals. Jillian encouraged everyone to attend this very important meeting.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

Review of 2006-2009 Reopener and the Negotiation Schedule/Cohort Group/BRIAN SANDERS.

Total Compensation/Cohort Group (Proposed Cohort chart distributed). Brian discussed the Proposed Cohort Chart and how the Total Compensation Task Force selected the cohort. He pointed out the possible cohorts and added that the questionnaire was going out in the next week or so. From the responses, YFA will learn how our health benefits, dental benefits, vision benefits, and life insurance benefits compare to other districts.

Reopener and the Negotiations Schedule (2006-2009 YFA Reopening Proposal Draft #4 distributed). Brian reported that the opening of the negotiation process has been designed. There is a meeting next week to plan the process and to set forth our expectations. Brian asked for approval of the re-opener as his goal is to have the YFA president timely submit the re-opener to District.

Reorganization of the Contract. The supplemental survey should be up and ready by the end of this week.

MOTION: Linda Kropp/Charmaine Wesley-Hartman
M/S/C “That the survey be approved and allow enough latitude to make tone changes in the wording.”

MJC Budget Report/NANCY SILL (2005-2006 PT/Overload Budget Expenditures, the Mid-Year Report, MJC FTES & CC FTES charts distributed). Nancy reviewed the Summary of New Revenue projected and the 2005-2006 PT/Overload budget expenditures that District expected. Nancy also reviewed the mid-year report and then reported on issues regarding the FTES and budgeting at MJC and Columbia College. President Daly will check on the status of the letter Dr. Scroggins was to send out to faculty regarding this year's shortage of FTES

NEW BUSINESS

What to Negotiate and What not to Negotiate/JILLIAN DALY. TABLED.

Retreat/JILLIAN DALY

Mike Smedshammer and Cece Hudelson-Putnam will check on the venue for the Spring Retreat. Gene Womble suggested Lack Tulloch since it would be mutually convenient to all as it is located between Modesto JC and Columbia College. Recommendations will be presented at the next meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at ____ p.m.

Recording Secretary: Molly Navarro

College Council Report
Prepared by Michael Akard

The College Council met on February 6. It was an interesting meeting.

1. Dr. Scroggins reported that MJC has satisfied its legal FTO requirement.
2. Members of the Measure E Coordinating Committee will receive a \$500 stipend for future summer work on that committee.
3. Dr. Scroggins reported that MJC is operating at the same deficit as last year, so monies will be swept from designated funds to cover general expenses. Dr. Scroggins also explained that MJC's operating budget will only increase if more money is allocated by the state. In addition, it was discussed that the average class size at Columbia College is approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ that at MJC.
4. MJC has received full accreditation for the next 6 years; we must report on our progress by 10/15/07.
5. An ad hoc committee was created to bring recommendations for structure and content of Institute Days.
6. Kathleen Silva reported that distance education is strong at MJC, though specific data is sketchy. DE classes account for $\frac{1}{4}$ of our summer FTES.

The College Council will meet again on March 6.