



**Yosemite
Faculty
Association**

**YFA REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL
APPROVED MINUTES**

**Wednesday,
October 9, 2013**
Ansel Adams 206, West Campus

Respectfully submitted by
Sarah Curl, YFA Secretary
to the YFA Representative Council

Meeting is called to order at 3:15 p.m. Quorum [x]

PRESENT EXECUTIVE BOARD
President: Jillian Daly; V President/CC: Gene Womble; Secretary: Sarah Curl;
Treasurer: Linda Kropp; MJC College Council: Ross McKenzie; Rep at Large/MJC: Emily
Malsam

PRESENT REP COUNCIL
David Chapman; Monique Vallance; Steve Miller; Sue Adler; Jim Stevens; Barbara
Jensen; Elzbieta Jarrett; Donna Louie; Hanna Louie; Haleh Niazmand

MINUTES

September 11, 2013 Minutes: Approved as read

M/S/A Linda Kropp moved, and Steve Miller seconded, that the September 11, 2013 minutes
be approved as read. The motion passed by voice vote with one abstention.

DISCUSSION ITEMS/UPDATES

1. REP CHECK-IN (Jillian Daly)

David Chapman related an incident in which a faculty member's car was damaged at MJC by a tree with
root damage. President Daly asked that this be put on the next Executive Board meeting agenda.

2. YFA TRANSITION (Jillian Daly)

This will be Jillian's last Rep Council meeting. For the rest of the semester Vice-Presidents Debi Bolter and Gene Womble will act as Co-Presidents. The other Executive Board members will help. According to the Bylaws, the First VP must notify the Elections Chair that an election must be held for YFA President. The position starts January 1, 2014.

3. NEGOTIATIONS (Jillian Daly, Emily Malsam)

There are two more negotiation meetings scheduled for October 16th and 30th. Debi Bolter, Gene Womble, Tom Nomof and Emily Malsam are on the YFA negotiating team.

Discussion continues on Article 4 – Workload. The extra 2.5 hours added to the work week because of the compressed calendar and the distribution of hours for non-instructional faculty are sticking points. Last spring, YCCD and YFA agreed to minimum class size regulations, but now the District wants to change them.

In Article 5 on Distance Education, there is a fear that the District wants to increase the minimum class size. Standardizing the LMS is also under discussion.

The topic for negotiations next Spring will be part-time faculty issues. Monique Vallance is a member of a work-group to be formed to discuss these issues. Part-time faculty at other colleges in the area are paid more and have reassignment rights and paid office hours. Some reps expressed concerns that part-time faculty must do CLO's and are not paid for it. It was suggested that part-time faculty get FLEX hours for CLO's.

4. YFA BUDGET AMENDMENT(Linda Kropp)

Handout: 2013-2014 Approved Budget – updated 10/8/2013

The budget item for Faculty Socials / Hospitality was originally approved at \$500. However, we spent \$1000 on two lunches during Fall Institute Week. Reps decided that these lunches should be annual events.

M/S/A Emily Malsam moved and Jim Stevens seconded that the item for Faculty Socials / Hospitality in the approved budget be increased from \$500 to \$2500. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

5. ELECTION AND RATIFICATION PROCESS BY SURVEY- MONKEY (Jillian Daly)

Representatives were asked to consult their constituents regarding the use of Survey Monkey in elections and ratifications – in particular, is there concern about using Survey Monkey to ratify the use of Survey Monkey in future elections and ratifications.

BBSS supports electronic voting and supports summer ratifications if the faculty is informed in the Spring.

Counselors have concerns about summer ratifications.

7. SKYPE PROGRESS (Larry Schegg)

The camera purchased to allow communication by SKYPE didn't work. Larry returned it and will continue to work on this.

8. YFA RETREAT (Gene Womble)

The topic of the YFA retreat this Spring will be workload. The Retreat Committee will be Gene Womble, Debi Bolter, Monique Vallance, Kathleen Guion, Hanna Louie and Donna Louie.

Various locations were suggested and Kathleen is researching them.

REPORTS

1. President's Report (Jillian Daly)

The latest FACCC report indicates that the state budget is better and it looks like we will get an increase in our base apportionment for the next few years. There is too much instability in education funding and FACCC will be pushing to stabilize funding so colleges can plan long-term. The State Chancellor is asking for a "super-cola" of 1.8 – 4.4% for community colleges, but not K – 12.

2. Student Services Council (Brian Green)

Handout: Draft Priority Proposal

The draft of a proposal for priority registration of students was reviewed. The proposal goes to College Council next.

3. RAC / IAC (Gene Womble)

Our FTE's are below target – we got 1% growth, but wanted 3%. We will hire 11 faculty to replace retirees and have 3 growth positions. Faculty who are planning to retire are asked to announce this early.

ADJOURNED 5:10 pm