Meeting is called to order at 12:00 p.m.

DISCUSSION ITEMS/UPDATES

1. APPELLATE COURT CASE

President Jillian Daly gave an update on the Appellate court case. YFA wanted to waive oral arguments, but YCCD refused. Oral arguments will be presented in April. If the decision gets published, it will set a precedent, but likely it will not be published.

2. DUES INCREASE

It has been 10 years since the last dues increase and legal expenses have depleted our reserves. Expenses should get back to normal after the court case is settled. The Rep Council has requested a dues increase from $550/year to $750/year for full-time faculty and from $10/semester to $20/semester for part-time faculty. The ratification vote will take place in March.

3. BYLAWS REVISIONS

Much of the new language was recommended by our auditor. The Bylaws were last revised in 2005. Faculty were comfortable with the dues increase proposal and bylaws revisions to go on one ballot.
4. INDEPENDENCE
Advantages and disadvantages for affiliating with CTA or CFT vs staying independent were discussed.

CTA primarily supports K-12. They supported Proposition 38, whereas community colleges did not.

CFT spends a lot of money supporting political candidates. Both CTA and CFT charge “assessments”, when necessary, without approval of faculty. YFA so far has not done so.

CCCI has most of the advantages of CTA and CFT but with better services and lower dues. We have a lobbyist, so the same resources. We also have a good lawyer, who we can contact directly. We would not have direct access to legal services if we were affiliated with CTA or CFT.

5. NEGOTIATIONS
Workload is the main topic in negotiations. Minimum and maximum class size and lab vs lecture hours are being discussed.

ADJOURNED 5:00 p.m.