

**YFA Rep Council Meeting**  
**March 16, 2016**  
**Highlights**

**General Faculty Meetings**

YFA is scheduling the following General Faculty Meetings at both colleges in April to discuss the results of the adjunct and full-time faculty surveys that have recently been completed:

MJC: Thursday, April 14, 3:00 to 5:00 pm, Location: TBA

Columbia College: Friday, April 15, 1:00 to 2:30 pm, Location: TBA

**YFA You Tube Channel**

YFA has created a You Tube channel and has uploaded video recordings of the January 13, 2016 and February 10, 2016 YCCD Board of Trustees meetings. YFA will continue to purchase DVDs of all future Board meetings and upload them to the YFA You Tube channel.

Here is the link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2bzJqz0Az4qjlzSrP3ojcw>.

**YFA Elections**

YFA is in the process of conducting elections for several Executive Board and Representative Council positions:

Secretary—Executive Board

Vice President, MJC—Executive Board

Representative to College Council, MJC—Executive Board

At-Large Representative, MJC—Representative Council

At-Large Representative, Columbia—Representative Council

Adjunct At-Large Representative, MJC—Representative Council

Adjunct At-Large Representative, Columbia—Representative Council

The two-year term for all of the above positions is May 1, 2016 through April 30, 2018. The nominations e-mail will be sent to all faculty district-wide on March 17.

**District Policies and Procedures Committee**

At their meeting on March 16, 2016, this committee was presented with a YFA-recommended revised Draft of PP 3435 (Discrimination and Harassment Investigations). Unlike the previous draft, this YFA recommendation restricts the language to apply only to District employees.

Faculty should review this new draft and give input to your PP representatives: Allan McKissick and Mike Adams.

### eLumen and Assessments (Senate Resolutions)

Representatives were encouraged to contact their constituents before today's Senate meeting regarding two resolutions up for consideration today (March 17).

- S16-C: The rationale for increasing the frequency of the assessment cycle seems focused on the difficulty of overseeing the existing system. Why is the current system unworkable? Why would a more frequent system be easier? Etc.
- S16-D: Regarding eLumen, there was a consensus that we should pilot it before committing to 100%. Was this considered? Can we consider it now?

### Faculty Survey

The survey will be open through Friday, March 18, after which data will be analyzed and discussed at the General Meetings (see above). It is very important for us to come together as a faculty and discuss areas where full-time and part-time interests compliment and where they diverge. There will be another survey sent to full-time faculty to gather their interests for future negotiations.

### Large Lecture Class Size Averaging

There is a situation this semester in which several faculty have been denied their right to average their class sizes in order to meet the threshold for large lecture classes even though this practice has precedent. After a meeting between YFA, the VIP, and Vice Chancellor of Human Resources, deans will be instructed to raise the cap on these large lecture classes in consultation with affected faculty. Jim reminded the representatives that faculty cannot be forced to teach large lecture classes and recommended that faculty only take these classes as overload, because there is a risk associated with being able to fill them to capacity.

### Safety Presentation

Michelle Christopherson highly recommended that faculty attend the District safety presentation that will be held soon, because some of the practices the District is recommending will have an effect on our working conditions.

*For information on YFA and a host of other important faculty-related content as well as links to many other resources, please visit the YFA web page.*

You can access the YFA webpage at: <http://yfa.sites.yosemite.edu/>.