



Yosemite Faculty Association

YFA REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL MEETING APPROVED MINUTES

Wednesday,
November 9, 2016
Faculty Lounge, East Campus

respectfully submitted by
Iris Carroll, YFA Secretary
to the YFA Representative Council

Meeting is called to order at 3:03 p.m.

Quorum

EXECUTIVE BOARD

President	Jim Sahlman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Vice President/MJC	Sarah Curl	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Vice President/CC	Tim Elizondo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Budget Analyst	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Secretary	Iris Carroll	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rep at Large/MJC	Allan McKissick	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rep at Large/MJC	Jim Stevens	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Member-at Large/CC	Maryl Landess	<input type="checkbox"/>
MJC College Council	Ross McKenzie	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Treasurer	Larry Scheg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

REP COUNCIL

Dale Pollard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jill Ramsey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Haleh Niazmand	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cheryl Williams-Jackson	<input type="checkbox"/>
Steve Choi	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Shelley Akiona	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Brian Greene	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Demitrius Snaer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Akard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Laura Manzo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mike Adams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tom Nomof	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Donna Louie	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hanna Louie	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tech Ed: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
CC Rep A At-Large: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
CC Rep B At-Large: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
MJC Adjunct: Bill Holly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Columbia Adjunct: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Faculty Liaison: Michelle Christopherson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

OTHER POSITIONS:

Approval of Consent Agenda

Approve the minutes of the October 19, 2016 YFA Rep Council Meeting.

Approve Michelle Christopherson as the YFA Representative on the next Chancellor's search.

Approve the 125 Cafeteria Plan for the YFA Executive Assistant position. This is a health insurance account for the YFA administrative assistant.

The consent agenda was approved by voice vote. Allan McKissick so moved and Dale Pollard seconded.

Announcements and Reports

Faculty Liaison Report

Michelle Christopherson reported on the Board election results. Leslie Beggs will replace Mike Riley who did not run for re-election. Darin Gharat will replace Linda Flores. Jon Rodriguez will replace Tom Hallinan. Abe Rojas will keep his seat. The new Board will be sworn in at the December meeting. This is an important moment because the new board will have the chance to shape a new chancellor. At least one Board member, Darin Gharat, has been on the union side as the head of a union.

Sub-Committee Reports

Shelley Akiona reported on the two sub-committees.

Enrollment – The YFA Enrollment Subcommittee held its first meeting. Cece Hudelson, Kevin Alavezos, and Nancy Sill attended. They discussed the need to expand their group to include other faculty experts from other divisions. Shelley also requested representation from Columbia College. To that end, Shelley requested the representatives email her names of others in their divisions who may be interested in participating. In addition, the committee is seeking direction regarding issues to explore. They discussed the possibility of focusing on the following issues: productivity trends, department comparisons, fall/spring offerings to see if we're chasing FTEs or if we can we do things differently. They also discussed the possible goal of educating faculty about what is involved in enrollment. It would be useful for this committee to know what relevant reports exist in Crystal Reports. The group's next meeting is Tuesday, November 15th so Shelley needs input by that date.

College Culture – Shelley, Iris, and Geri have met twice. Shelley shared that at their most recent BBSS meeting, they requested YFA time before the dean was present. She said that the engagement and excitement generated during that time demonstrated how important it is for faculty to have time together without an administrative presence. Therefore, one of this committee's goals is to explore ways to bring back College Hour. In addition, Shelley announced that BBSS will host a tailgate party on December 17th in conjunction with the championship game of the 79th Annual Basketball Tournament. BBSS is also adding a community component to this event called "Knock

Your Socks Off” drive for white socks. They encourage everyone who attends the party to bring new socks to donate to the homeless. She challenged the other YFA representatives to pick another day of the tournament for their divisions to host a tailgate.

Campus Security Concerns

Jim Sahlman provided an update on a recent incident that occurred in the MJC student center when a student made some sort of a threat. Apparently the person never had a weapon and the police department never came to take care of the situation. The YFA concern is that useful, timely information was not disseminated. Jim is meeting with President Stearns next week to discuss this issue. Faculty should be informed of an incident like that. Representatives raised the question of how meaningful information will be if we have no idea who the person is. Jim reminded everyone that 6911 is the campus emergency number. Do not call x6351 in an emergency because 6911 allows responders to pinpoint your location so they can get to you more quickly and can coordinate with city police. Jill Ramsey informed us of a local emergency number that serves as a local 911. That number is 209-558-4357.

Policies & Procedures Update

Tim Elizondo and Allan McKissick reported that the draft Emergency response procedure will come back to the committee as a new draft. They continued by informing us that the penal code does not include higher education faculty as mandatory reporters. Allan encouraged the council to review Policy 3518 as well as the Copyright policy. They also reminded faculty to let students know that weed is still illegal on campus even in light of the recent election.

Current/Ongoing Business

Treasurer’s Report

Larry Scheg gave a presentation to help us understand the budget, then presented the annual budget for approval. Based on comments from representatives, Larry will update some figures and reintroduce the budget for approval.

Negotiations Update

Jim Sahlman said that there was not much to report. November 22 is the next scheduled meeting. Ad hoc committees have been doing homework on articles 6 & 7 with emphasis on creating a concise representation of evaluation timelines.

Class Size Committee

President Stearns did not begin to call the committee together until mid-October. They will not meet until December.

YFA Bylaws Revision Update

Mike Adams, Laura Manzo, and Allan McKissick provided an update on the work of this committee, which is the periodic review/update that is dictated by the bylaws. To facilitate this process, it was suggested that faculty within each area or division volunteer to review specific sections of the bylaws and respond with possible bylaw modifications. These could be provided to YFA reps who will then forward them to the committee.

Other Reports/Concerns/Comments (if any):

YFA Exec Board

It was reported that a faculty member was recently put under investigation without anyone notifying YFA. Also, at the end of Columbia College Council meeting they were given a list of campus goals.

Other comments/concerns/reports

None

Report Out:

- YFA Enrollment Subcommittee
- YFA College Culture Subcommittee
- Campus Safety
- YFA Bylaws Revision

Adjourned: 4:50 pm

Next scheduled YFA Rep Council Meeting: December 15, 2016 @ 3:00pm, YFA Faculty Lounge