

# SAN DIEGO CITY COLLEGE CLASSIFIED SENATE

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Lori Oldham  
Gail Rodriguez

Next meeting date:  
Thursday,  
November 22  
11:00 a.m.  
Room D-102  
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*"Let us permit nature to  
have her way; she  
understands her business  
better than we do."*

*Michel de Montaigne  
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## Meeting Minutes of September 22, 2005

**PRESENT:** Earline Barrett, Lydia D. Gonzales, Gail Rodriguez, Desiree van Saanen

### I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Campus Change Network** - Two Classified Senate delegates have been selected to attend the Campus Change Network Conference in Fallbrook, CA. Susan Gregory and Lydia Gonzales will join the City College Team—Larry Brown, Mario Chacon, Rafael Alvarez, Elva Salinas, Mary Coleman, Kathy McGinnis, Sara Hernandez, Salley Deaton and Desiree van Saanen—who will meet September 29—October 1 to discuss strategies for the advancement of student equity and diversity on campus. The CS delegates will report on the conference at the October Classified Senate open session (November 27). The Campus Change Network is sponsored in part by California Tomorrow.

**Classified Senate Website**—Desiree reported that the City College Classified Senate Website has a new face—four new faces to be exact! Now, the page includes pictures of the executive board. Eventually, the webpage will include photos of all senators as well. Currently, the webpage does not include links to the officers' Outlook accounts. However, Desiree will work with the City College web mistress, Christina, to correct this. Additional ideas for the website will be discussed at the November CS open session.

**AFT Luncheon**—Reminder: The Annual AFT Pizza Luncheon meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 29, 12 noon to 1:30 p.m., Conference Room D-102. For members of the Office/Technical and Food Services units, this is an excellent opportunity to meet your union president and ask questions regarding your contract. All Classified folks from all units are welcome to attend! It was noted that some concern was raised over the funding of the AFT pizza luncheon. Desiree reported that no Classified Senate money was used to cover expenses for this event. The AFT paid for it in full. This is an annual event that AFT funds at all SDCCD institutions for classified folks.

### II. REPORT FROM TREASURER—No report

III. **FUNDRAISING**—See's candy bars and lollipops are now for sale in the E Building and Business Office. Candy bars sell for \$1.50 each; lollipops for \$.75 each.

### IV. COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE REPORTS –

**President's Council**– No Report

#### **Student Services Council -**

**Grade Challenge Procedures:** Lydia reported that the Grade Challenge Procedure have been revised. Copies of the new procedures were distributed. Students must first attempt to resolve the problem informally with the instructor of record. If the instructor is unavailable (i.e. no longer employed), the student must contact the Department Chair. However, if the student alleges any of the aforementioned conditions, the student may file a "petition for grade challenge" to the appropriate dean, who will consult with the department chair to resolve the matter. It was further noted that the statute of limitations on grade challenges has been shortened from 5 to 2 years. The complete SDCCD procedure for grade challenge can be accessed at:

<http://hr/hr/POLICIES/3001-2.htm>

**Student Representation Fee:** Gail reported that a \$1 student representation fee will now be assessed on all registration transactions. The fee, which is currently mandated at Mesa and Miramar, helps to support the administration of the Associated Students and to sponsor speakers, travel expenses, and AS related activities and events related to advocacy efforts. Last spring, City College students voted in favor of the fee, which was followed by Board Approval on June 9.

**Personnel Changes in Student Services:** Desiree reported the following personnel changes in Student Services:

#### **Financial Aid:**

Congratulations to Susanna Gonzalez, formerly an hourly employee, who was hired as our new contract Student Services Assistant in Financial Aid. FA received approval to proceed hiring one Student Services Technician and one Senior Student Services Assistant. One Student Services Assistant position is currently pending.

***Counseling:***

Well wishes to ***Helen Elias*** were expressed. Helen will be leaving City College as Dean of Student Development to take an administrative position in DSPS at Southwestern College. Helen, whose key contributions included the updating and development of the Student Equity Plan, the development of the 2005 Matriculation Plan, and contributions to and participation on the 2004 Accreditation Self Study and team visit, will be sorely missed by all. ***Farewell, Helen.***

Welcome to two new Counseling interns Katie Morris and Donnie Munshower. Both interns are expected to serve for one year.

***DSPS:***

***Sue Taetzsch*** was hired this fall as a new adjunct DSPS rehab Counselor, replacing ***Patrice Braswell Burris***, who was offered a full-time contract position at Grossmont.

***EOPS:***

Welcome ***Kimi McSwain, Tina Alvarez,*** and ***Gina Lluvia,*** City College's new EOPS Counselor interns. Each will be with us at least through the spring semester, 200 hours each. The interns come to us from counseling programs at SDSU and UCSD.

***Records/Admissions:***

Former contract classified employee ***Gladis Frasier*** will be returning to Records effective September 19. Welcome back Gladis! Also, ***Rachel Hernandez*** has been transferred from a .45 position to a 1.0 contract Student Services Assistant position. Lou Humphries reported she is currently interviewing for two replacement positions for retirees ***Lorraine Lukas*** and ***Bessie Straub.***

**District Strategic Planning Council** - The District Strategic Planning Council met on September 15 to review the latest Environmental Scans report, which included input from the SDCCD institutions. City College faculty and staff were glad to see new parameters, such as students polled by zip code, added to the report. A another meeting has been scheduled on October 19 to review campus projects.

**Instructional Council** - No report

**Other Committees**—No report