

Clark College AHE Senate Minutes

November 16th, 2009

3:30-5:00

Cannell Library, Cannell Room

Members Present: Rita Carey (Don Gonser proxy), Dave Duback (Jim Wilkins-Luton proxy), Anita Fisher, Don Gonser, Izad Khormae, Nathan Lazar, Julian Nelson, Nancy Novak, Marcia Roi, Otto Schlumpf, Nancy Sheppard, Kimberly Sullivan (Jim Wilkins-Luton proxy), Susan Torres, Judy Van Patten, Steve Walsh, Jim Wilkins-Luton

Members Absent: Carlos Castro, Gene Johnson, Carson Legree

Others Present: Lisa Lewison

Topic	Discussion/Action
Approval of minutes and agenda	The November 16 th agenda was approved. The November 2 nd minutes were approved as amended.
Announcements	Rita Carey was asked to attend the Board of Trustee (BOT) session and gave Don Gonser her proxy.
Work Sessions, BOT Coverage	Marcia will wait to send a sign-up sheet for BOT meetings until after the BOT establishes its new meeting times.
Senate Membership in BTEC and HS	BTEC and HS need Senate representation. Mike Godson was suggested for BTEC.
Budget and Treasurer's Report	Don Gonser reported that AHE has \$6,357.80 in checking and \$2,382.51 in savings. Don presented a draft budget. A discussion of arbitration costs and the potential need for increased dues followed. Don will present a new budget in a new format at the next meeting.
PAC Report	Anita Fisher and Marcia Roi attended the candidates' reception after the election. They met with Jack Burkman, Tim Leavitt, Sheri Parker, and others. Marcia commended the PAC Chair for her outstanding work. Anita encouraged Senators to be actively involved in the community; the Senate will look at ways to do this at the next meeting.
TPC Forum, Winter Membership Meeting	Nancy Novak said the TPC meeting might be a good place for TPC faculty to discuss recent issues. Times and topics were suggested. The forum will be from 1:30 to 2:30. It's during finals week, so scheduling and attendance could be an issue. Nancy suggested the forum have a paper survey of bargaining priorities.
AHE Representation at RA's	Marcia encouraged Senators to attend Representative Assemblies in San Francisco, New Orleans, and Spokane. CCAHE will seek funds from WEA/NEA to send Senators. A discussion of funding and release time followed.
Organizing Committee	Lisa Lewison said AHE needs to be deeper and broader in terms of mission ownership. She suggested we

	do a power analysis, identifying 36 full-time faculty members and 50 adjuncts. This would allow AHE to communicate with membership face-to-face about important issues. Marcia said it's easier than one might think to get people involved—Marcia enrolled 17 new members in her first quarter, a 10 percent membership increase.
Website Update	Izad's presentation was tabled as meeting time was running short. He encouraged Senators to use the website and give him feedback.
Adjourn	The Senate adjourned at 5:03.