



# Classified Senate Meeting Minutes

May 08, 2024 | 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | Zoom Meeting: <https://cccd-edu.zoom.us/j/89274540735?from=addon> & CC 227

## Classified Senate Attendance

Scott Broberg	Present	Katie Olivier	Absent
Andy Chau	Present	Cecilia Schreyer	Present
Heather Dominguez	Present	Jillian Whistler	Present
John Fawcett	Present	Curtis Williams	Present
Lucy Grams	Present	Eric Wilson	Present
Jeanette Grimm	Present	Sean Wellengard	Absent
Sue Harlan	Absent	Alexia Wood	Present

## Guests

Norma Alcala, Michelle Auduong, Jessica Bravo, Jonathan Cao-Nguyen, M. Crawford, Tanya D., Jeff Delaney, Martha Guevara, M. Gallois, next Gavidia, Mireille Halley, Vickie Hay, Jami Jacobi, Kourtney Jones, Patricia Kopp, Kayla LaBounty, Kelly Lam, Shelley Lowrey, Belta Moon, Bertha Munoz Sanchez, M. Newman, Thu Nguyen, Kim Nguyen, JohnPaul Nguyen, Thuy Nguyen, Tom Niederhauser, E. Quiroz, Beatriz Rodriguez Vaca, Veronica Sanchez, A. Thompson, Linga Tiger, T. Vo, Austin Webb, Michelle, Jessica, and Eva.

### Guests:

**Recorder of Minutes:** Beatriz Rodriguez Vaca

#### 1. Call to Order - Classified Senate President:

President John Fawcett called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m.

#### 2. Approval of the Minutes - Classified Senate Body:

**Motion 1:** Senator John Fawcett moved to approve the April 10, 2024, meeting minutes; motion seconded; motion approved.

#### 3. Public Comment

- No public comments.

#### 4. For the Good of the Order

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- **Scott Broberg:** The Annual Student Film Festival is on Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Fine Arts Building 119.

#### 5. Officer, Senator, and Committee Reports:

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- A. President's Report – John Fawcett:** This Friday we are hosting a career fair at the Waterfront Campus. It is an industry panel and job fair to promote our programs that we're offering in the Mariners training program. It is an opportunity to increase our enrollment if students are interested in that curriculum.
- B. Vice Presidents' Reports:** No reports.
- C. Classified Senator Reports –** No reports.
- D. CFCP Report: Curtis Williams** suggested that because of the limited hiring, most people are taking extra duties. Perhaps the Classified Senate can weight in on reclassification training.
- E. Other Committee Reports:**

#### 6. Unfinished Business:

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- A. Artificial Intelligence:** Eric Wilson presented on Large Language Models.
  - Artificial Intelligence is the field of computer science that aims to create machines capable of performing tasks that typically require human intelligence. It is not going to replace humans.
  - Artificial intelligence has helped reduce the death rates at hospitals and doctors' offices and staff by 51% just in the last 7 months.
  - LLM is one of the different sections of AI. There are 13 different sections or types of AI out there.
  - It falls to the category of artificial general intelligence which aims to basically help with some tasks based on data and other information to come.
  - LLM capabilities to help answer questions, summarize text, translate languages, and other things.
  - LLM is the umbrella that it takes in the data and puts them into use and then artificial general intelligence apply that stuff to help us with questions and creative content. That goes into another subsection of AI called generative AI. That is a chat bot.
  - Generative AI is constantly changing every second based on the information that we ask for.
  - It has to start from the Large Language Model and then it breaks down into different components.
  - The data that comes in from a Large Language Model also goes to other types of AI.
  - There are other generative AI applications such as chatbots, artwork & images, music generations, coding assistance, etc.
  - There are limitations to AI. It relies on human intelligence. AI does what we tell it to do.
  - AI models reflect the biases inherent in training data.
  - AI decisions can be difficult to explain and may have unintended consequences.
  - There are discussions that AI is going to ruin critical thinking. That is incorrect. It makes and creates deeper thinking.
  - We still have to check if the information provided by AI is correct.
  - AI is great for streamlined content creation, intelligent assistance, and brainstorming.
  - "AI will not replace human...Human using AI will".
- AI can write stories and translate it into other languages.
- The exposure and understanding of AI is important.
- It is important for Classified Professionals to be involved in the policy making regarding AI.

#### 7. New Business:

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##### A. Senator Elections

- B. Beatriz Rodriguez Vaca announced the names of the nominations received and the newly elected senators appointed by acclamation. The current and incoming senators for the 2024-2026 term include Michelle Wang representing the Institutional Advancement and Effectiveness wing, Jessica Bravo, Andy Chau, and Jill Whistler representing the Student Services wing, Norma Alcala representing the Administrative Services wing, Sue Harlan, Cecilia Schreyer, Eric Wilson, and Elizabeth Page representing the Instruction wing, and Curtis Williams, Alexia Wood, Kayla LaBounty, Minerva Mondragon, Jeanette Grimm, and John Fawcett representing the classified professionals at-large. There are still two positions open in the Administrative Services wing.
- C. We are still looking for senators to serve on the Executive Board. Beatriz Rodriguez Vaca open the floor for nomination to serve on the roles of President, Vice President of Committee Membership and Outreach, Vice President of Finance and Events, and Vice President of Communications and Marketing. Vice President Grimm read a brief description of all the officer positions.
- D. John Fawcett self-nominated for the position of President for the next term. Jeanette Grimm self-nominated for the position of President for the next term. Michelle Wang self-nominated for the position of President for the next term. Jill Whistler self-nominated for the position of Vice President of Communications and Marketing. Since not all senators are in attendance in the meeting, a form will be going out for senators to self-nominate. A secret election will follow. John Fawcett read out loud some of the senator responsibilities. Those include:
- Senators advocate for the visibility of the classified voice and recognition of contributions that classified provide to the learning environment.
  - They solicit feedback from classified professionals about issues important to the constituency
  - They connect and foster a sense of community that is respectful and inclusive.
  - Strengthen connections and camaraderie among classified across the campus
  - and beyond.
  - Engage, be involved in campus wide and Senate meetings, activities, and training.
  - Encourage others to meaningfully contribute to shared governance and participate fully in shared governance.
  - Communicate act as a liaison between the Senate and classified professionals in each wing and across the college
  - Ensure that all Classified are informed about relevant issues.
  - Our mission is to advocate the value and contributions that classified professionals provide to the learning environment, provide quality service to promote student success.
  - Cooperate with other organizations in the interest of enriching the education environment at the college.
  - serve as a liaison between the California community college senates across the State
  - Promote the participation of classified professionals in shared governance at the college and district levels.

## 8. Open Forum:

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- Honors Night is tonight.
- Commencement is on May 24, 2024.
- Tomorrow there will be an event at the Main Quad in celebration of Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month from 10am-1pm. There will be food and other resources.
- There is a tax in the cafeteria added, if they know you are a staff member.
- Eric Wilson offered to lead a class on technology during the summer if there is an interest from Classified Professionals.

**9. Adjournment of the Regular Meeting:**

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Meeting ended at 11:58 a.m.