



# Classified Senate Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2023, | 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | Zoom Meeting

## Classified Senate Attendance

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

## Guests

Michelle Auduong, Ana Benitez, Michael Carrizo, Pree Casaus, Andy Chau, Karen Cifuentes, Tanya D., Denise D’amore, Jeff Delaney, Maria DeNunno, H. Dinh, Mary Gallois, Veronica Garcia, Martha Guevara, Patt Kopp, Kayla LaBounty, Karen Latham, E. Martin, Mindy Nguyen, JohnPaul Nguyen, Shannon O’Neal, Eva Pok, E. Quiroz, Jennifer Rivera, Tina Rodgers, Beatriz Rodriguez Vaca, Veronica Sanchez, Mette Segerblom, Linda Tiger, and Austin Webb.

**Recorder of Minutes:** Beatriz Rodriguez Vaca

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

President John Fawcett called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

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

**Motion 1: Senator Curtis Williams moved to** approve the May 10, 2023, meeting minutes; motion seconded; motion approved unanimously.

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

#### A. President’s Report – John Fawcett:

- As new president he looks forward to a productive year with a lot of activates, morale building, and a stringer and louder voice in shared governance.
- He encourages committee members to report out to Classified Senate.
- He is available in the Computing Center, where he spends extensive hours.

#### B. Vice Presidents’ Reports:

- Thanked Classified Professionals for their support when she was Classified Seante presidents last academic year.

### C. Classified Senator Reports –

#### D. CFCE Report – Michael Carrizo:

- Negotiations have been silent other than the 8.22% in COLA that they were able to win for the Classified staff.
- There are many things agreed upon already.
- They have the following items on the negotiations table: differential pay, and Cesar Chavez Day.
- There was a presentation on District finances at the last Board of Trustees (BOT) meeting. They showed a negative outlook. Quintin Powell brought to their attention that they would have over \$56 M in reserves.
- He encouraged Classified Professionals to attend BOT meetings.

#### E. Other Committee Reports:

**Curtis Williams - Budget Committee Report:** Reported that there is a meeting later Wednesday, September 13. He will report out at the next meeting.

**Jeanette Grimm:** Stated that she noticed some classified positions have been filled with subs, who can only for 130/year who get much less pay and no benefits.

### 4. Unfinished Business:

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#### A. Election for President

**Motion 2: Senator Cecilia Schreyer moved to** approve President Elect John Fawcett into the President position for a 2-year term; motion seconded; motion approved with 1 abstention. [*John Fawcett abstained*].

#### B. Election for Vice President

**Motion 3: Senator Scott Broberg moved to** approve Jeanette Grimm as the VP of Committee Membership & Outreach; motion seconded; motion approved with 1 abstention.

**President Fawcett** plans on having a president-elect shadow the president, so when they come into the Presidency, they know what to expect and do.

### 5. New Business:

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**A. Meeting Modality: President Fawcett** would like to hold the Classified Senate meetings through a hybrid modality. A poll was ready and will be available at the next senate meeting.

**B. Committee Assignments: President Fawcett** encouraged committee representatives to let him know if they wish to continue serving on their committees. They will be a call out for the very few committees that have vacancies.

**C. Proposed Fall Activities - Morale Building: President Fawcett** would like to organize events such as the Halloween decorating contest, the holiday cart parade, etc. He asked for volunteers to help organize those events.

**Jeanette Grimm** suggested going through the marketing office to create flyers so we can be ADA compliant.

## 6. Open Forum:

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- **President Fawcett** said that the Academic Senate established some specific goals for the year. He said Classified Senate should align with some of those goals. Some of them include concern and consideration about Artificial Intelligence (AI) and ChatGPT, DEIA programs, cultural awareness, safety on campus, climate action focus, equity and supports, etc.
- **Scott Borberg** suggested for the District to register for Chat GPT and grant access to staff to be able to practice and use without having to use a personal account. Personal cellphones should not be required to create an account.
- **Cecilia Schreyer** would like to see sustainability in the Classified Senate mission and employee help, including exercise.
- **Eric Wilson:** they did a survey and summarized that AI and Chat GPT are big topics right now. He would like to educate employees on what those tools are. AI has been around for a long time. It is not new. Google and Turnitin are a form of AI. We need to teach students how to use AI responsibly.

**Motion 4: Senator Whistler moved to** adjourn the meeting; motion seconded; motion approved unanimously.

## 7. Adjournment of the Regular Meeting:

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Meeting ended at 11:47 a.m.