

**APPROVED
EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 8, 2011
DVC ROOM L-151**

The meeting was called to order at 2:26 P.M.

PRESENT: Glenn Appell, Milton Clarke, Vern Cromartie, Marina Crouse, Doug Dildine, Rachel Dwiggins-Beeler, Marco Godinez, Bruce Koller, Stuart Lichter, Jason Mayfield, Jeff Michels, Aminta Mickles, Luis Morales, Mary Ulrich, Donna Wapner, Rudy Zeller, Michael Zilber and Terri Adame.

ABSENT: Katrina Keating, Deborah Dahl-Shanks, and Steve Padover.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS–

- Michels and Keating will attend the BFA meeting scheduled at 3:30 on September 26, 2011 at Francesco's restaurant. Others are welcome. Topics will include the FACCC presentation on the state budget.
- The CCCI conference will be held in San Diego on October 13-15, 2011. Michels, Keating, Appell, Dildine, Mayfield, Mickles, and Dahl-Shanks will be attending. If there are any other interested members, please call the UF office.
- Michels announced that his cell phone is no longer working well, and requested the UF help him purchase a new cell phone and hub. The phone will cost approximately \$200 plus an extra \$10/month for hub service. Michels noted that hub service (not available with his current phone) would allow him to work on-line while at statewide meetings or conferences when wireless is not available. He affirmed that he uses his cell phone mainly for union business and asked the Board to consider paying half the cost of a new phone. Michels will sign a two-year service agreement (for himself personally) as part of the purchase.

Following a motion by Ulrich, seconded by Mayfield, MSC, with one abstention to approve the total purchase of a new cell phone and hub for Michels.

- VP Reports: Mickles reported that CCC is cutting 9% in the spring of 2012. Appell stated that DVC is no longer in emergency mode due to the full restoration of the FTEF for the spring 2012 semester. DVC will also add 6 new full time faculty positions this year. Appell also reported that he is working to bring Victoria Simmons to DVC to offer training in interest-based problem solving. Zilber reported that LMC is also reducing spring schedules, and there are quite a few interim personnel at LMC. Hiring committees are forming soon to hire new presidents for both LMC and CCC.
- The Academic Calendar proposal for 2012-13 needs to be reviewed and approved soon.
- Michels proposed the hiring of student interns with the primary purpose of political organization among the students. This topic will be discussed further at a future Executive Board meeting.

3. EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES–

Following a motion by Mayfield, seconded by Mickles, MSU, to approve the minutes from the Executive Board Meeting on August 25, 2011.

4. CONTRACT VARIANCE REQUESTS –

History Department at DVC:

Following a motion by Dildine, seconded by Mayfield, MSC, with 2 abstentions to approve DVC'S request for Mickey Huff to evaluate Greg Tilles and Manny Gonzalez

English Department at DVC:

Following a motion by Lichter, seconded by Godinez, MSC, with two abstentions, to approve DVC's request for a deferment of Marcia Goodman's evaluation.

5. UF OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTION–

Michels discussed the monetary adjustment in the Office Administrator's retirement contribution due to interest rate miscalculations. He will add it to the agenda at a future meeting for resolution once the numbers are finalized and approved by Treasurer Keating and the UF's Accountant, Bill Millias.

6. FOOD DRIVE / FOOD BANK OF CONTRA COSTA–

Plans are underway for a UF-sponsored food drive in October. The E-Board discussed offering a prize for whatever division collected the most food on a pound-per-FTEF basis and agreed to offer a gourmet meal (breakfast or lunch) prepared and served by the UF E-Board (with Michels as Executive Chef). UF VPs will coordinate with student government, management and staff to invite co-sponsors and firm up our schedule and proposed barrel locations.

7. PAC PLANS AND EVENTS–

Michels proposed that the UF hold a "house party" fundraiser event for Assemblywoman Susan Bonilla (D-Concord) at Michels' Orinda home on Thursday, October 27, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. He proposed moving the UF Executive Board meeting on 10/27 to Orinda, to start at 3pm and be held prior to the Bonilla event. All faculty will be invited. Michels suggested the UF contribute \$2,000.00 from the UF Political Action Fund to Bonilla's campaign as part of this event (and seek a FACCC PAC contribution of \$1,000.00 as well).

Following a motion by Appell, seconded by Cromartie, MSU, to move the October 27, 2011 Executive Board meeting to Orinda, to host a house party/fundraiser event for Susan Bonilla at the same location, and to contribute \$2,000.00 to the Bonilla re-election campaign.

Michels reported that CCCI will hire a lobbyist and local advocacy trainer to represent community college faculty in Sacramento and to help CCCI locals become more effective in electing local candidates (including candidates for governing board) to office. Michels requested that the Executive Board approve a Political Action Fund contribution of \$16,000.00 to CCCI's soon-to-be-established PAC to help hire David Bella Hawkins as an advocacy trainer to support local and statewide efforts to elect candidates who will best serve students and faculty.

Following a motion by Zeller, seconded by Crouse, MSC, with 2 abstentions, to give a (political action fund) PAF donation of \$16,000.00 to CCCI's PAF.

Michels requested the UF contribute \$1,000.00 from the United Faculty's Political Action Fund to Sharon Hendricks, whom the UF had previously endorsed, for her campaign to fill a vacant seat as the California Community College representative on the STRS Retirement Board.

Following a motion by Appell, seconded by Dildine, MSU, to give Sharon Hendricks \$1,000.00 from the UF-PAF account to her campaign for STRS Retirement Board.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION–

Executive Board members discussed Article 25 workgroup progress, a Level 2 Grievance, and Negotiations and Survey plans.

Following a motion by Zilber, seconded by Lichter, MSC, with 4 abstentions, to accept a proposed MOU regarding the Level 2 grievance and not to advance that grievance to Level 3.

The Board decided to invite consultant Kevin Roberts to attend a future Executive Board meeting to review health care reform legislation and discuss other health benefit information. Others may also be invited this year to discuss health care reform and benefits-related issues.

9. COMMUNICATIONS–

The UF will schedule a faculty symposium, starting with full-time faculty roundtable discussions at each campus regarding SLO's, accreditation work, healthcare benefits, and other pertinent issues, in October 2011.

The first issue of *Table Talk* should be ready in late September.

10. OTHER BUSINESS –

Michels called attention to a review of a book called The Fall of the Faculty.

11. UPCOMING MEETINGS–

- A. 09/14/11 Governing Board Meeting
- B. 09/22/11 Next Executive Board meeting at DVC, Room L-151

The meeting was adjourned at 5:06 P.M.

Submitted by: Terri Adame