

GROSSMONT COLLEGE
Classified Senate
Friday, January 21, 2022
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm
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Meeting Summary

VISION: Provide classified staff a voice to participate in the initiation, development, and evaluation of all District policies and procedures that support educational programs and services for students at Grossmont College.

MISSION: Grossmont Classified Senate promotes the valuable contributions made by classified professionals in creating an environment that will lead to the greatest level of student success. The Senate encourages the exchange of ideas, understanding and, cooperation between classified staff, faculty, administrators and students, in the best interest of enriching the educational environment.

2021-2023 Classified Senate

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<u>Guests:</u> Alison Haertjens Debora Curry Debora Hanssen Denise Gilbert Elaine Adlam Fayine Janice Fischer	<u>Guests:</u> Jeanine Spraul Lisa Brlas Nashona Andrade Ondrea Mesquita Patty Sparks Theresa Apodaca	

Routine Business

1. Welcome / Check-In	Michele welcomed everyone back to the new year. An email went out from the Chancellor indicating that everyone is slated to return now on February 22 nd . Michele also reminded Senate about the upcoming book club which will meet February 16th. Please contact Lisa Brlas for more information.
2. Public Comments	No public comments were made.

3. Additions/Deletions to Agenda	No additions or deletions to the agenda.
4. Approval of 12/3/21 meeting minutes	The 12/3/21 minutes were approved.
For Discussion	
5. Check-In	<p>Nashona Andrade welcomed the group and wanted to show support by having open dialogue on everyone's emotional status. She noted the most appropriate way to manage this was to talk about how we might be able to navigate grief. It was noted that this is an open, safe space with no judgement. People shared their concerns and fears about the coming year. Pat Murray added that we need to celebrate and wish people strength and stealth, since this is the year of the tiger, and being negative won't help. It was also noted that there are resources available for those struggling mentally. Nashona also added that sharing like this is not everyone's cup of tea and acknowledged that is okay. The goal for today was to gauge where we are, and problem solve and support each other. Regardless of all the challenges we are facing, we need to be careful what we say and how it can be offensive to people. We need to be responsive and have inclusive conversations. It was also acknowledged that it is challenging having these conversations especially when we feel rejected or hurt.</p> <p>Moving forward, it is important to acknowledge that we won't be the same. We will be whole again but we need to be patient and have conversations that are uncomfortable and then move past it.</p>
6. Spring 2022 Priorities	Item not addressed.
New Business	
7. Spring 2022 Convocation	Item not addressed.
8. Guided Meditation	Elaine guided Senate through meditation.
<p>Next Classified Senate Meeting is Friday, February 4, 2022 @ 1:30pm-3:00pm</p> <p><u>Visit the Classified Senate Website Here</u></p> <p><u>Upcoming Book Club:</u> <i>"Daisy Jones & the Six"</i> by Taylor Jenkins Reid <u>Next Meeting:</u> Wednesday, February 16th at 2:00pm All are welcome to read and join our book discussion! Book and audiobook copies are available at your local public libraries.</p> <p>Please RSVP to lisa.brlas@gccd.edu for the Zoom invite.</p> <p>Classified Senate Antiracist Book Study, Wednesdays at 4:00 pm <u>All</u> are welcome!</p> <p><u>Click for Antiracist Book Study</u></p>	