# GROSSMONT COLLEGE Classified Senate

Friday, May 19, 2023 1:30pm-3:00pm Zoom

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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 e-Board

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS
☐ Rochelle Weiser-Vice President
☐ Bernadette Black-Secretary
☑ Graylin Clavell – Interim Treasurer
□ Cindy Emerson-Past President

#### 2022-2024 Classified Senate

SENATORS	SENATORS	SENATORS
	□ Debora Curry	⊠ Lisa Brlas
⊠ Bryan Lam		☐ Ryan Cline
☐ Chad Deitchman		
□ Dawn Heuft		☐ Theresa Apodaca
☑ Diana Barajas	☐ Karla Garcia	
Guests:	Guests:	
John Stevens	Debora Hanssen	
Stefanie Beason	Monique Flores	
Maryam Ratsvam	Carly Gutierrez	
Bill Rapolla	Iliana Garcia	
Christina (no last name listed)	Kelly Jackson	
Carol Rapolla	Irene Bauza	

Routine Business		
1. Welcome	Michele welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2. Public Comments	Michele noted that President's Cabinet will be joining at 2:10PM to provide an update.  John Stevens indicated that meetings to discuss the new arts and communication project begin next week and encouraged those who wanted to get involved attend those meetings. There will be discussions about the actual design of the buildings so the first few meetings are critical. They will also review the initial plan that goes to the state.	
3. Approval of 4/21/23 Meeting Minutes	The 4/21/23 meeting notes were approved.	
4. Committee Report Outs  • Technology  • PIEC  • Professional Development  • Staffing	Technology – Bryan Lam, Karla Garcia No report.  PIEC – Steve Miller, Graylin Clavell, Juliana Bertin Juliana Bertin reported that she will be the co-chair next year. PIEC reviewed the feedback from the annual planning forum. The format of the forum was most appreciated as it used to be a full day but was scheduled as a half day this time around. Mostly positive feedback was received from those who attended. They will start planning in the fall for the next forum in spring 2024. They talked about the IEPI and how to implement the goals that were identified. Michele explained that colleges can apply for the Institutional Effectiveness Partnership Initiative (IEPI), for up to \$200,000 to improve college's processes. We have submitted our application to create operational excellence on campus and our next step is to implement those plans. Julia noted there will be a survey coming out next Tuesday about governance and encouraged people to fill it out. This is part of the governance refresher as is included in the IEPI.  Steven added that PIEC also went over the draft midterm report due to ACCJC. The committee is providing feedback via a Google form before it gets sent out. Cindy Emerson provided a link to the draft midterm report	
	so people can review and provide feedback. The report will go to College Council next week. It was clarified that feedback can still be provided after College Council as the final midterm report is scheduled to go to the Governing Board this fall. It was also noted that colleges have to do regular reports to ACCJC to let them know the continual work we are doing, and that is part of our mid-term report. The college will start working on the ISER this fall, which is due to ACCJC in fall 2025, and our site visit is scheduled in spring 2026.  Professional Development – Theresa Apodaca, Graylin Clavell Graylin reported that hardly anyone showed up at the last meeting of the semester so the meeting was canceled.  Staffing- Theresa Apodaca, Graylin Clavell, Chad Deitchman Graylin reported that at the April meeting, the emphasis was on creating the draft Staffing plan. For the last meeting, Dr. Ahrens was going to review the Nuventive online process.	
	There was a discussion about classified professional's terms on governance committees as each year, someone cycles out of committees and Senate has to fill the vacant seats. If you are cycling out and still interested in serving on that said committee, they can still apply for the committee when the notice goes out. It is important that we have every	

	seat filled so our voices are heard. There was a question on why the administrator's association does not co-chair. Michele responded that when GOSC created our new governance, they decided not to have an administrator co-chair as an administrator already chairs committees and they did not want to have two administrators chairing and co-chairing a governance committee.
5. President's Report	Stephen Harvey will be taking a group photo of Classified Senate Senators and the eBoard on Wednesday, May 30 <sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm.
	Michele reported that eight classified professionals will be attending the Classified Leadership Institute (CLI), thanks to the support of President Whisenhunt and Dr. Rodriguez. This is the yearly convention of classified professionals across the state. It's three solid days of sharing out what is working well and what is not working well. Michele added that she had learned from other colleges that some senate presidents get 100 percent release time and noted that she is working with the Chancellor on getting true release time for our district.
	President Whisenhunt, Dr. Gable, Dr. Fulbright, Dean Hicks and faculty member Diana Vance, presented the out of the box award to Classified Senate. They recognized the Senate's work on equity and acknowledged their exceptional work on campus to support students.
	Tonight is the Student of Note ceremony in Griffin Gate.
	For Discussion
Presentation by Student     Trustee Sasha Reva –     Resolution for Priority     Registration	Michele reported that the ASGC board submitted a resolution for their board members to receive priority registration so they can get classes they need while working around governance committees they serve on. This resolution was brought to Senate for support. The resolution is scheduled to go to the Governing Board and we can show support by either attending the meeting and providing a public comment in support of the resolution, or by emailing the Governing Board when the agenda is sent out. It will be up to the Governing Board to make that decision about priority registration.
7. LGBTQ+ Flag Application	There is a new process in place for displaying flags on campus other than Grossmont College's flag or our country's flag. This is a pilot and the first request is to display the Pride flag. Senate approved. Michele indicated those who were against it can email her separately. She will email the application out to the group.
	For Information
8. 4/10s Schedule – Move to Thursdays	The summer 4/10s begin the week of June 4 <sup>th</sup> and will conclude on August 6 <sup>th</sup> . This means after June 2 <sup>nd</sup> , Senate meetings will be moved to Thursdays from 1:30pm-3:00pm. Our first Thursday meeting is scheduled on June 15 <sup>th</sup> .
9. CSEW Events – Week of May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	
10. Public Speaking Workshop #2/#3 Report Out	Diana Barajas, Graylin Clavell, Michele Martens This was a three-part series conducted by instructor McHan. He provided tips for those who are nervous with public speaking, including eating breakfast and skipping coffee. Those who are nervous tend to have their hands in their pocket while those who are not nervous have a more calming and relaxing presence. Michele added at the last workshop, participants

were asked to talk 1 to 2 minutes about why they are awesome. She asked
the instructor about coming to a Senate meeting to do a session on public
speaking and the imposter syndrome.

Next Classified Senate Meeting: Friday, June 2, 2023 @ 1:30-3:00, Griffin Gate / Zoom

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