

# GROSSMONT COLLEGE

## Classified Senate

July 27, 2023

1:30pm-3:00pm

31-107 / Zoom

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83987974434>

## Minutes-DRAFT

**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.

### 2023-2025 Classified Senate e-Board

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michele Martens-President
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bernadette Black-Vice President
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Janice Fischer-Secretary
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diana Barajas – Treasurer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michele Martens-Past President

### 2022-2024 Classified Senate

SENATORS	SENATORS	SENATORS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andrew Hellier	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Graylin Clavell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rochelle Weiser
<input type="checkbox"/> Bryan Lam	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Janet Shipstead	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ryan Cline
<input type="checkbox"/> Chad Deitchman	<input type="checkbox"/> Juliana Bertin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Miller
<input type="checkbox"/> Dawn Heuft	<input type="checkbox"/> Karla Garcia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Theresa Apodaca
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debora Curry	<input type="checkbox"/> Lisa Brlas	
<b>Guests</b>		
Stefanie Beason	Jacob Garcia	Cindy Hall
Deb Hanssen	Karen Nance	

### Routine Business

1. Welcome	Michele Martens
2. Public Comments	Michele Martens - None

3. Approval of 6/29/2023 Meeting Minutes	Michele Martens – The minutes were approved as written.
4. Committee Report Outs	4. Cindy Hall - Benefits Committee update – presented the <a href="#">VEBA</a> Website and its free offerings. Reported on the HRAC committee sharing the minutes and asking that you contact CSEA rep or Cindy Hall if you are being asked to pay for dental services up front as there have been provider changes to the PPO plan that were not communicated.

5. President's Report	Michele Martens
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<b>For Discussion</b>	
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<p>6. Thank You to our E-Board members who have completed their terms: Graylin and Rochelle</p> <p>7. Swearing In ceremony</p> <p>8. Call out reminder PG Committees - Application closes 8/10 at Noon:  <a href="#">College Council</a> Meets Fourth Thursdays 3-5pm  <a href="#">College Council Charge</a></p> <p><a href="#">Budget Committee</a> Meets Second Thursday 3-4:30pm  <a href="#">Budget Committee Charge</a></p> <p><a href="#">PIEC</a> Meets Third Friday 11- 12:30pm  <a href="#">PIEC Charge</a></p> <p><a href="#">Classified Staffing Prioritization Committee</a> Meets TBD as needed  <a href="#">Classified Staffing Prioritization Committee Charge</a></p> <p><a href="#">Staffing Committee</a> Meets Third Thursday 3 - 4:30pm  <a href="#">Staffing Committee Charge</a></p> <p>9. <b>Events and Fundraising</b> for the coming year. Come with ideas.</p> <p>10. <b>Classified Senate Retreat</b> - October ???</p>	<p>6. Michele Martens – Presentation of Plaques to retiring board members Graylin Clavelle and Rochelle Weiser for their service to Classified Senate. They gave short remarks.</p> <p>7. Michele Martens &amp; Bernadette Black – Bernadette Black, Vice President; Janice Fischer, Secretary &amp; Dianna Barajas, Treasurer were sworn in to their offices for the 23/25 term of office by Michele Martens. Michele Martens, President was sworn in as President for the 23/25 term by Bernadette Black.</p> <p>8. Michele Martens – reminded us that there is still an opportunity to apply to serve on the Governance committees listed. We need to participate in governance for our voice to be heard.</p> <p>9. We need to start fundraising in order to support the activities of the Classified Senate. The coffers are low. Please bring your ideas and suggestions. Some current ideas are: gift basket opportunity drawings, weekend stay in Ocotillo Wells, week condo stay in Kona Hawaii, parking lot rummage sale, wine and spirit opportunity drawing through the foundation.</p> <p>10. Michele shared that the last retreat cost approximately \$700. We have lots of Halloween decorations for this event. We would like to invite those Classified who are in regular attendance to join the senate for part of this event. Cindy Hall suggested that we return to the former practice of taking a Holiday photo of the Classified Senate for publication.</p>
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## For Information

11. **Chancellors' Appreciation Breakfast**

July 31, 8 - 9:30am Griffin Gate.

12. **CLI Report** - will present at GB on Aug 8

We will have the presentation ready by July 26.

13. **Save The Date** - Convocation 8/14,

Breakfast at 8, program at 9am (in the Gym).

11. Michele shared that at the last meeting with the Chancellor, she shared the reality of that event to which the Chancellor apologized and wants to make amends with Classified staff. While we are welcome to share what didn't go well, she would like to focus on planning for next year. Classified professionals need to take the opportunity to speak as these opportunities happen. President's cabinet has been invited to attend this event.

12. Michele shared the Infographic that will be share at the August Governing Board Meeting. Several attendees will be sharing their perspective on the importance of these conferences in person at this meeting.

**Next Classified Senate Meeting: August 18th, 1:30pm, stay tuned for location.**

[Visit the Classified Senate Website Here](#)

CLASSIFIED PROFESSIONAL BOOK CLUB: Next book is **The Midnight Library** by Matt Haig

[Book Club Zoom Link](#)

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