

## **Approved Minutes of Los Angeles Colleges Faculty Guild Executive Board Meeting held on Tuesday, September 20, 2022**

Dr. James McKeever called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm

**Attendees:** Quorum established by both colleges and E-board members present

**Approval of Agenda** (McKeever)

**Approval of minutes from August 16, 2022** (Waddell)

### **1. Member Education**

- a. Community Agreement
- b. **M/S/P** (McKeever): Meeting Structure
  - i. To make our meetings more efficient and inclusive, we have made some changes to the structure of our meetings.
    1. Each presenter of an action item will get five minutes to present their item.
    2. Once the motion has been moved and seconded, I will ask if there are “any objections to the passing of this motion” (Sturgis pg. 142)
    3. If no one objects, then the motion passes under general consent.
    4. If someone does object, then we will open a discussion. The discussion period will be ten minutes.
    5. Each speaker of the motion will get two minutes to make their statement.
    6. If you have spoken before on this motion or any other, you must wait for others who have not spoken.
    7. Prior to the closure of debate, there must be at least one speaker in support of the motion, and one speaker opposed to the motion.
    8. The only way to extend debate is through a motion from the floor with a two-thirds majority (Sturgis pg. 64).
    9. Motions to close debate can still be presented and passed with a two-thirds majority.

### **2. Action items**

- a. **Old Business**
- b. **New Business**
  - i. **M/S/P** (St. Paul): Los Angeles College Faculty Guild, Local AFT1521 to extend Student Debt Clinics Trainers for a total of 0.6 FTE (0.1FTE monthly for each trainer) November 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023, as an AFT 1521 member benefit.
    1. Budget Request: \$53,376
    2. **Vote:** Yes = Consensus
  - ii. **M/S/P** (Muniz, Washenik): The District Work Environment Committee (DWEC) is seeking an extension of the 0.1 compensation that the Executive Board has previously approved so that they can continue their work until the contract is updated to shift the burden to the district where it belongs.
    1. Budget Request: \$89,000

2. **Vote:** Yes = Consensus
  - iii. **M/S/P** (Monteiro, McDowell): Consent Agenda - Committee on Political Education (COPE) Recommendations
    1. **Vote:** Yes = Consensus
    2. Budget Request: \$17,600 - Funds come out of the COPE budget, not the general AFT budget.
    3. COPE recommendations:
      - a. **M/S/P:** contribute \$1,500 to Karen Bass for Mayor
      - b. **M/S/P:** contribute \$2,500 to Caroline Menjivar – Senate seat 20
      - c. **M/S/P:** contribute \$800 Hugo Soto Martinez – City Council 13<sup>th</sup>
      - d. **M/S/P** contribute \$1,500 Rick Chavez Zbur – Assembly seat 51
      - e. **M/S/P:** contribute \$1,500 Pilar Schiavo for Assembly
      - f. **M/S/P:** contribute \$2,500 Lola Smallwood-Cuevas for CA Senate
      - g. **M/S/P:** contribute \$1,500 Miguel Santiago (Author of the California Promise; Financial Aid)
      - h. **M/S/P:** contribute \$5,800 for the Franklin & Eleanor Roosevelt Awards Program/dinner.
      - i. **M/S/P: Measure LA:** Include Measure LA on our slate we are printing for the Guild endorsed candidates
  - Community College Board of Trustees—Endorsement**
    - j. **M/S/P:** to endorse Barbara Dunsheath – North Orange County Community College
    - k. **M/S/P:** to endorse Vanessa Tyson – Rio Hondo Community College
    - l. **M/S/P:** to endorse Tom Peters – endorsed by the Santa Monica union faculty
    - m. **M/S/P:** to endorse Marisol Madrigal Uribe – (ELAC professor of Co Studies & English Professor)
3. Officer reports
  - a. **Treasurer** (Behlendorf)
    - i. Working with accountant to close book for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year (FY)
    - ii. Searching for a new guild auditor -
    - iii. Recommendation: Identify 3 or 4 goals for the next 2 years and align budgetary decisions based on said goals.
  - b. **Secretary** (Galvez) - See report attached to September agenda.
    - i. Report will include Sturgis and organizational structure information.
  - c. **Executive Vice President** (Elarton-Selig) - See report attached to September agenda.
    - i. The Open Enrollment portal had some glitches but are now fixed.
    - ii. There is a major change to the Open Enrollment process for adjuncts that are continuing in the system. Adjuncts who have benefits through LACCD need to re-enroll every year through the open portal.
  - d. **President** (McKeever) - See report attached to September agenda.
    - i. Focus for the next months
      1. Elections - Four Board of Trustees are up for election
        - a. AFT 1521 supported Trustees
          - i. Steve Veres - Seat 2

- ii. Sara Hernandez - Seat 4
    - iii. Gabriel Buelna - Seat 6
    - iv. Kelsey Iino - Seat 7
  - b. Election: November 8, 2022
  - 2. Contract Campaign - We are preparing for a tough fight and already building our negotiations team. We also celebrate long-fought victories such as the Adjunct Health bill which includes \$200 million in ongoing funds for healthcare for part-time community college faculty. Now, we must negotiate these improved benefits with the district via our contract.
- 4. **Committee and Professional Staff reports** –5 minutes to follow up a written report
  - a. AFAC - See report attached to September agenda.
    - i. Working on two major campaigns and encouraging all faculty involvement.
      - 1. Yes on AB1856 - Raising the cap on teaching assignment from 67% to 87%
        - a. On governor's desk
      - 2. Adjunct Healthcare Campaign - ensure LACCD includes adjunct health options and district takes advantage of new \$200 million funds available for adjunct health coverage.
  - b. Black Caucus
    - i. Working on end of semester luncheon
  - c. Budget –State and District - See report attached to September agenda.
  - d. Community Support and Engagement - No Report
  - e. COPE report - See report attached to September agenda.
    - i. Report includes links of COPE endorsed candidates
  - f. Dolores Huerta Labor Institute - No Report
  - g. EDD - No Report
  - h. Election Committee - No Report
  - i. Foundation - No Report
  - j. Government Relations - See report attached to September agenda.
  - k. Grievance - See report attached to September agenda.
  - l. JLMBC - See report attached to September agenda.
  - m. Negotiations - See report attached to September agenda.
    - i. Chapter presidents looking for their representatives
    - ii. Currently building the negotiations teams
  - n. Organizing - See report attached to September agenda.
    - i. Survey deadline: September 30
    - ii. Request for member volunteers for BOT election campaigns.
  - o. Retirement - See report attached to September agenda.
    - i. Financial wellness workshops series in September and October.
  - p. Social Justice - Report was not attached to September agenda.

**i. Report:**

The Social Justice committee met on Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM.

The August agenda included continuing discussion of support for reproductive health and privacy rights related to the Dobbs decision and on-going efforts to address climate

change.

There was also substantial discussion about how to develop and offer support to students through FAST (Faculty and Students Together).

Our next meeting is on Friday September 30<sup>th</sup> @ 10 AM – all are welcome.

For more information and/or to be added to the meeting invitation list, contact Chris Cofer and/or Kelly Velasquez @ socialjustice@aft1521.

- q. Student Debt Clinic Project - See report attached to September agenda.
- r. Student Interns - No Report
- s. WEC - No Report
- 5. Announcements

Saturday October 8<sup>th</sup> – Kelsey Iino Fundraiser (see flyer)

Tuesday October 18 – Executive Board Meeting

**Submitted by:** Jenny Galvez, Recording Secretary

**Approved on:** October 18, 2022