

**Los Rios College Federation of Teachers
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April 18, 2012

Present: Dean Murakami, Wayne Olts, Jason Newman, Teresa Aldredge, KC Boylan, Walter Kawamoto, Alex May, Gabriel Torres, Kris Fertel, Zack Dowell, Hali Boeh, Donna Nacey, Linda Sneed, James Telles, Diana Hicks, Peg Scott, Robert Perrone, Andrew Williamson, Mark Hunter, Annette Barfield, Barbara Davis-Lyman, Connie Zuecher, Sandy Warmington, Michaela Cooper

Excused: Dennis Smith

Absent: Robyn Waxman

- I. Convene the LRCFT Executive Board 3:00 PM
- II. Approval of the agenda with changes by consensus. Approval of March 21, 2012 minutes with changes by consensus.
- III. **Pubic Comments/Announcements:** Murakami reviews upcoming labor events. Manuel Ruedas, committee member of Chicano Latino Graduation Ceremony speaks to executive board. Ruedas discusses ceremony and give history of ceremony for board members.
- IV. **Liaison Reports:**
 1. Academic Senate – No report.
 2. FACCC – Murakami reports on AB 1741. State Chancellor’s office has opposed the bill. The bill passed out of Higher Ed Committee. FACCC elections continue.
 3. CFT – Murakami reports 600,000 signatures have been collected for the Compromise Tax Initiative. Murakami discusses the importance of CFT to focusing on the Sacramento County Office of Education races. List of candidates endorsed by Rhee are reviewed and consequence of those candidates winning their race are discussed. LRCFT will need to work on endorsing candidates for the SCOE.
 4. SCLC – Murakami reports the SCLC has endorsed 32 candidates. List of endorsed candidates is available to board members. Murakami announces upcoming events: Tomato Workers Rally the week of April 23rd – 27th from 10:00 to 5:00 PM at the ALRB office building 915 Capitol Mall and the AT&T information picket on April 19th from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM at 2700 Watt Ave. There are plans for two additional hotels to be built at the Sacramento Airport. SCLC is working on making sure the work and service is done by union workers.

Action

- V. **CFT Convention 2013:**

Murakami discusses 2013 CFT convention which will be held in Sacramento. LRCFT will need to host a reception. Murakami suggests nominating Dennis Smith for the Ben Rust award.
- V. **Treasurer Report: (1st Reading)**

Nacey reviews and discusses Budget Performance, Balance Sheet and Proposed Budget for board members. Nacey discusses CFT “pass throughs” and the constitutional obligation LRCFT has to pass the amounts onto LRCFT members. The LRCFT has not passed the amounts through to members in many years, not doing so and long term affect is discussed.
- VI. **International Labor Day Activities:**

Torres announces LCLAA’s rally on May 1st. LCLAA has several sponsorships for the rally. Newman moves to suspend the rules, Fertel seconds the motion. Motion passes by consensus. Sneed moves LRCFT endorse the May 1st rally and contribute \$350 towards portable restrooms, Newman seconds the motion. Motion passes by consensus. Torres reports the Cesar Chavez March was well attended.

VII. Chicano/Latino Graduation Ceremony:

Discussion regarding graduation ceremony is held. Scott moves to suspend the rules, Fertel seconds the motion. Motion passes by consensus. Torres moves LRCFT support and contribute \$1000 to the Chicano/Latino Graduation Ceremony. Fertel seconds the motion. Torres discusses the need for the district to support graduation ceremonies. Davis-Lyman speaks in support of the district supporting the ceremonies and recommends discussing the issue at the August retreat.

Discussion

VIII. SSTF:

Fertel reports on SSTF hearing. Most testimony heard was in support. There are two work groups in Los Rios actively working on Score Cards and Enrollment Priority. Discussion is held.

IX. FLC President Search:

Boylan and Olts were on hiring committee. Boylan reports on candidates and final three. Rachel Rosenthal was chosen as the FLC President.

X. Tax Initiative Update:

Murakami reports the Governor has pulled his initiative. There have been 600,000 signatures gathered. An additional 600,000 signatures are needed.

XI. Higher Education Budget Advocacy:

Murakami reports on the Higher Education Budget coalition being formed. The affects and lack of funding to UC and CSU is discussed. If the compromise initiative is passed the coalition will focus on pushing any extra funding towards higher education instead of deferrals. Discussion is held.

XII. Students First Initiative & June 5th Elections:

Roy Matthews is working with LRCFT on signature gathering and Students First Initiative. He is working on getting students involved in signature gathering and other activities. He has arranged to have Bonnie Pannell at ARC to help gather signatures and will work on recruiting students to help with Pannell's campaign.

Reports

XIII. Part-time Report:

Sneed discusses possible survey regarding lay-offs of part-time faculty in Los Rios.

XIV. Chief Negotiator Report:

Boylan discusses the Faculty Availability form. The form is being updated so that all faculty in Los Rios will be able to use the same form. Boylan will send a copy of the current form by email to board members for their review and input.

XV. PAC Report:

Kawamoto reports on signature gathering for Compromise Tax Initiative. The candidate interview committee met on Monday, April 16th. Torres moves to endorse and contribute \$250 to Terry Schanz for City Council and Joe Yee for City Council and to endorse and contribute \$1000 to Ken Cooley for Assembly, Scott seconds the motion. Motion passes by consensus.

Meeting adjourned 4:45 PM

Dean Murakami, President

Donna Nacey, Secretary-Treasurer