

Los Rios College Federation of Teachers
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February 20, 2019

Present: Dean Murakami, Robert Perrone, Dennis Smith, Alex Peshkoff, Teresa Aldredge, Paul Baltimore, Walter Kawamoto, KC Boylan, James Telles, Jason Newman, Belinda Lum, Gabriel Torres, Oranit Limmaneeprasert, Bill Miller, Linda Sneed, Tony Barcellos, Sandra Guzman, Tak Auyeung

Excused: Annette Barfield, Kalinda Jones

Absent: Jesus Limon, Craig Weckman, Angelo Williams, Carlos Lopez

- I. Murakami convenes the LRCFT Executive Board 3:00 PM
- II. Approval of minutes February 6, 2019 approved by consensus. Agenda is approved with changes by consensus.
- III. Public Comment: Amir Deen, Secretary-Treasurer, from Unite HERE speaks to board members about job training program for casino jobs in the Sacramento area. Sneed reports on BLM Allies meeting.

IV. Liaison Reports:

- 1. AS – No report.
- 2. LCLAA – Torres reports on ongoing planning meetings for the Cesar Chavez March, Wednesdays at 6:00 PM. Torres reminds board members of forum with Mexico’s Congressman Jose Gerardo Fernandez Norona on March 3.
- 3. CFT – Murakami announces CFT has hired a field rep, Peter Brogan, for the Sacramento area. CFT standing committee nominations are open. Board members that are interested need to contact Dean. Smith announces he will not continue to serve on the Retiree committee. Murakami reminds board members of CFT Convention deadlines.
- 4. FACCC – Murakami announces Sadalia King has been hired as the new lobbyist at FACCC.
- 5. SCLC – Murakami reports the SCLC provided food for TSA workers for two weeks during the government shut down. The crab feed was well attended and raised \$20,000. Murakami reminds board of the Labor Fed’s Joint Legislative Conference which includes a breakfast where attendees can ask attending legislators questions regarding legislation and issues pertaining to labor. Murakami discusses the Dynamex decision and the importance of lobbying in support of the decision. The United Way will be hosting an on-line and in-person free tax preparation for families who make less than \$66,000. A flyer with list of dates and locations is distributed. Murakami reminds board members the People’s Services Guide is available to distribute. A planning oversight committee will be formed to plan for the Measure U funds in Sacramento. Newman will be attending a meeting with the Elk Grove Mayor regarding the for profit hospital being built in Elk Grove.
- 6. PAFC – Kawamoto reports the PAFC will be discussing the budget for this year at the next meeting. Priorities and the mission of the PAFC will be discussed at the meeting in March. Two candidates that have been endorsed by the LRCFT’s PAFC have contacted Kawamoto about upcoming fundraisers. The Women’s International March focus will be the Missing Indigenous Women.

Action

- V. **International Women’s Day March: (2nd Reading)**
Motion to support International Women’s Day March with a \$500 contribution passes by consensus. Veronica Lopez will speak at the march.
- VI. **Native American Student Graduation Ceremony: (2nd Reading)**
Motion to support and contribute \$1200 to the Native American Student graduation ceremony passes by consensus.
- VII. **Endorsement of Cesar Chavez March: (2nd Reading)**
Motion to support and contribute \$5000 to the Cesar Chavez march passes by consensus.
- VIII. **Celebration of Excellence & Achievement and API Graduation Ceremony: (1st Reading)**
Discussion regarding contributing the remaining \$4300 of the budgeted money for Los Rios graduations is held. Limmaneeprasert suggests LRCFT contribute \$1800 to the API and \$2500 to the Celebration of Excellence. The API has raised additional funds for the ceremony.

Discussion

IX. LRCFT Budget Update:

Miller distributes and reviews budget for board members. Discussion is held.

X. Update on meeting with Kelly Burns on Food Distribution:

Peshkoff discusses meeting held with Kelly Burns from Pan's office. Discussion regarding CRC becoming a USDA Food Distribution Center was held. The centers are not charged for food and are able to distribute perishable and non-perishable foods weekly. A USDA Food Distribution Center must be willing to serve the community. CRC will need to serve the surrounding community, not just CRC students. Space with refrigeration will be needed. Food will be able to be shipped to other campuses from the center. Staff from Pan's office will be at CRC's Food Awareness Day to meet students and handout certificates. The students will be invited to the capitol and be recognized.

XI. AFT El Paso:

Lum represented AFT at the Teach-in for Freedom in El Paso, Texas. About 150 to 200 people attended the event. The teacher's union from Mexico was also at the event.

XII. LRCFT Delegation to Cuba:

Murakami updates board members on the LRCFT trip to Cuba during spring break.

XIII. Sacramento News & Review Story Board:

Murakami met with News and Review to discuss their interest featuring LRCFT in a story board. A meeting will be held to discuss what LRCFT would like in the story.

XI. Establish a LRCFT Foundation:

Murakami discusses establishing a LRCFT Foundation for faculty and students of Los Rios. The Foundation would have a budget separate from LRCFT. The foundation would fund scholarships, workshops and support student events.

Reports

XII. Building Power:

Balitmore reports will be sent out every month starting next month. The database is ready to use. The Part-time Caucus has a fully functioning sub committee that does not include Paul or Linda.

XIV. Social Justice Caucus:

Peshkoff reports on meeting held at Kruppos. The caucus is working on issues with formerly incarcerated students. Pan's office will be working with Kalinda Jones on this issue.

XV. President's Report:

- 1. ARC** - Limmaneeprasert reports Verhage will hold a Part-time Faculty orientation next week. Faculty have voiced concerns regarding the survey.
- 2. CRC** – Newman distributes CRC calendar of events for the Spring.
- 3. FLC** – Telles announces FLC workshops schedules. The union office hours has been well received.
- 4. SCC** – Lum reports there have been a lot of requests for another "How to Interview" workshop. SCC will host a workshop on Academic Freedom next week. Lum and Guzman will be presenting UndocuAlly workshop in San Diego

Meeting adjourned 5:25 PM

Dean Murakami, President

Bill Miller, Secretary-Treasurer