

GROSSMONT COLLEGE
Classified Senate
January 19, 2024
1:30 pm-3:00 pm
Living room (bldg. 70) / Zoom
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83987974434>

Agenda

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 Torres (Barajas) – Treasurer
<input type="checkbox"/> Michele Martens-Past President

2022-2024 Classified Senate

SENATORS	SENATORS	SENATORS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Theresa Apodaca	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debora Curry	<input type="checkbox"/> Bryan Lam
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Juliana Bertin	<input type="checkbox"/> Chad Deitchman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Janet Shipstead
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lisa Brlas	<input type="checkbox"/> Karla Garcia	<input type="checkbox"/> Rochelle Weiser
<input type="checkbox"/> Graylin Clavell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andrew Hellier	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ryan Cline	<input type="checkbox"/> Dawn Heuft	
Guests	Guests	Guests
Dianne Abdullah Smith	Stefanie Beason	Jessica Moore
Kristin S. Campbell	Melissa Bendon	Raul Rios
Ehsan Parsaeian		

Routine Business

1. Welcome	Michele Martens - As an ice breaker, Michele let a game of "Would You Rather". Everyone in attendance was given a different question to answer.
2. Public Comments	Bernadette Black - Michele introduced new Classified Employees joining us from the District.
3. Approval of 12/8/2023 Meeting Minutes	Bernadette Black - the minutes were approved.
For Discussion	
4. Changes to Classified Senate Meeting Days	Michele Martens - After discussion regarding moving the meeting date to accommodate those on alternate schedules, it was decided to send out a poll to gather best days of the week and times of day to increase attendance and be more inclusive of Classified Professionals.
For Information	
5. Thank you Grams - Wrap-up	Janice Fischer - Diana reported that the foundation collected over \$800 from Credit Card purchases that will be transferred to GC CS. We still need to pay for supplies out of that amount. Final proceeds should be available by the first meeting in February. We sold 285 Thank you grams this year.
6. Walk-a-bouts	Lisa Brlas - The December pilot was a success. We will be launching the spring walkabouts soon. A survey will be going out to find the best time slots and days of the week for this community building activity. Please consider becoming a group leader. We will be sharing snacks and water provided by the Students Basic Needs Dept. for distribution to students. This is a great way to connect with fellow Classified professionals and find out about other areas of the campus.
7. CLI 2024	Bernadette Black - announced the upcoming Classified Leadership Institute to be held June 5th through 7th in Riverside, California, and encouraged interest in attending. She also proposed a Workshop presentation on how their student senate can influence student success at other community colleges in the state.
8. Events: Spring Break Social PD: Public Speaking Mind & Body Conflict Resolution	Michele Martens - discussed the integration of wellness into daily routines and ongoing work on Professional Development (Pd) opportunities. Upcoming events, including a Professional Development office event and workshops on public speaking, mind and body, and conflict resolution, were also mentioned. Deborah Curry proposed a new conflict resolution program, "Conflict without Casualties," which Michele expressed excitement for.
9. President's Report	Michele Martens - mentioned the intention to move forward with social events and to be more inclusive of their district classified in their meetings and events. Lastly, Michele asked for volunteers for the upcoming Monday's convocation and suggested the idea of having a pizza and movie or pizza and game night. Michele will work on planning social events and professional development opportunities with thoughtful timeframes. Michele will send out a survey to gather feedback on a pizza and movie/game night.

Next Classified Senate Meeting: February 2, 2024
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CLASSIFIED PROFESSIONAL BOOK CLUB

Email lisa.brlas@gcccd.edu if you're interested in participating.