

AFA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL RETREAT MINUTES

April 2, 2011

(Approved by the Executive Council on April 13, 2011)

Executive Councilors present (noted by *):

*Warren Ruud, <i>presiding</i>	John Daly	Lynn Harenberg-Miller	Mike Starkey
Alix Alixopoulos	Dianne Davis	Reneé Lo Pilato	*Julie Thompson
*Paulette Bell	*Cheryl Dunn	*Sean Martin	*Jack Wegman
*Lara Branen-Ahumada	*Brenda Flyswithhawks	*Dan Munton	<i>One adjunct faculty</i>
*Paula Burks	*Karen Frindell Teuscher	*Audrey Spall	<i>vacant seat</i>

Officers/Negotiators present: Ann Herbst
Councilors-elect present: Mary Pierce, Eric Stadnik
Staff present: Judith Bernstein

The retreat was called to order at 11:10 a.m. Discussion and reports were conducted in closed session. The Council came out of closed session for one action item, as noted below.

ACTION ITEM

1. Spring 2011 CCCI Conference. Warren Ruud noted that the Council would need to take action on this item because the next scheduled Council meeting on April 13th falls after the CCCI conference is over. As reported at the last Council meeting on March 9th, Warren and Ann Herbst (by position as president and chief negotiator, respectively), will be attending the California Community College Independents (CCCI) Spring 2011 Conference scheduled for April 7 – 9 in Sacramento. In addition, Julie Thompson will be attending. AFA policy prescribes a selection process that provides for payment of conference and travel expenses for up to four selected individuals, including at least one adjunct faculty member, who meet specified criteria in a ranked order. At the March 9th Council meeting, adjunct Councilor-elect Eric Stadnik expressed an interest in attending the conference, and he subsequently confirmed his availability on those dates. Although Eric is not currently a member of the Council and does not meet any other criterion outlined in the policy, Warren noted that there is a provision in policy that gives the Council the ability to approve by majority vote an exception for a particular conference. There being no discussion, following a motion made by Brenda Flyswithhawks and seconded by Sean Martin, by a show of hands, the Council unanimously approved payment of conference and travel expenses for Eric Stadnik as the fourth attendee to the Spring 2011 CCCI Conference.

The retreat was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Judith Bernstein.