



Truckee Meadows Community College

Faculty Senate Recognition and Activities Committee

MEETING MINUTES FOR OCT. 12, 2017

Call to order: 3:31 p.m.

Present: Susan Bluhm, Erin Frock, Lauren Gatto, Sandra Martinez, Michelle Montoya (chair), Cynthia Olivo, Barb Painter, Cindy Stone, Dolores Wonder

Absent: Cathy Brewster

Guests: Amber Anaya, Cheryl Cardoza

Welcome Committee Members

Chair Michelle Montoya opened the meeting and introduced Faculty Senate Chair Cheryl Cardoza. Chair Cardoza welcomed the committee and thanked them for their service to the committee and TMCC.

Approve Minutes from September 14, 2017

The April 13, 2017 meeting minutes will be reviewed for approval at a future meeting.

The September 14, 2017 meeting minutes were motioned and seconded by Cindy Stone and Dolores Wonder respectively and passed unanimously.

Professional of the Month

An email to announce Cal Anderson as September's Professional of the Month will be sent out. Three nominations have been received for future awards.

Pumpkin Decorating Contest

The pumpkin decorating contest will coincide with the office decorating contest with judging occurring on October 26 from 10–2 p.m. Michelle Montoya will send out a Doodle Poll to arrange volunteers. Trash cans and tables will be needed from facilities. Erin Frock will send flyers denoting raffle prizes for the event and create a sign-up sheet. Voting slips will be created and the prize will be a golden trophy to be kept by the pumpkin carving champions. The deadline for submitting entries will be October 23.

Memorial Plaques

Memorial plaques will remain on the agenda. This is a continuation of the work begun last year to memorialize deceased TMCC instructors. There are beautification funds available and the committee will decide how best to determine who is memorialized; i.e., part time versus full time or by years of service.

Night at the Theater—Rocky Horror Picture Show

Night at the Theater will be October 21, 2017 featuring The Rocky Horror Picture Show at 7:30 p.m. Prior to the show, everyone attending Night at the Theater will meet for drinks at The Bighorn Bar and Grill. Plan to be at The Bighorn at 6:15 p.m.

The Power of Gratitude

The committee continued to discuss this initiative and liked the inter-office kindness cards and the possibility of working with Classified Council on various gratitude recognitions. It was also suggested to create a webpage to showcase all recognized TMCC employees. It was further suggested to get Dr. Hilgersom's approval.

Old Business

None

New Business

Michelle Montoya will contact Cathy Brewster to get the date of the holiday party for possible integration of the ugly sweater contest and an employee band. There was also discussion of serving wine at future Night at the Theater events and it was suggested to check with the Foundation for any wine donations or leads. Classified Council has two parking spaces for the Classified Employee of the Month at different locations on campus. One may be available for Professional of the Month in the future. Michelle Montoya is coordinating a gift card and greeting card for Olga Katkova, who recently had a baby. The deadline is October 26 for donations.

Future Meeting Dates

November 9, 2017 at 3:30 p.m. in RDMT 255

February 8, 2018 at 3:30 p.m. in RDMT 255

Meeting adjourned: 4:24 p.m.