

**Professional Learning Committee**

**May 23, 2023**

**3:30-4:30 p.m.**

**AC 303 and Zoom**

**Present:** Cara Kreit, Mary Kesler, Stacey Lince, Allyson Martinez, Tea Perales, Sally Wong, Tonya Hersch, Shook Chung, Danila Musante, Carol Hernandez, Patty France

**Absent:** Connie Lehua, Cari Torres-Benavides

**Agenda** - Agenda approved

**Minutes** – Minutes for 5/09/23 approved

**Meeting Goals:**

Final Employee Appreciation Lunch prep  
August Flex Week planning

**Committee Updates:**

- Appreciative inquiry from around the College.
  - What is your Why? Classified Professionals COM Hour event

**Requests for Classified Funds:** Sally Wong (approved)

**Employee Appreciation Lunch Planning**

Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 to 1:30pm

- Recap of catering, set-up, programs and announcements/awards to be presented
- Call for volunteers to help with set-up, announcements and clean up

**Flex Week Planning**

- Review call
- Equity in Mental Health proposal for sessions on Thursday and Friday of Flex Week
  - Academic Senate supports this proposal
  - Dr. Coon also was supportive
  - Timeline was given to Equity IMH planners to meet Flex Week deadlines
  - In order to accommodate other Flex Proposals in the decreased time frame, identify other sessions that can be folded into Thursday and Friday
  - Schedule for the two days will be similar to last year: one large presentation in the morning, then other smaller presentations during the day.
  - Agreement to have introduction of these two days at Convocation.
  - Discussion of ways to encourage more people to attend. Can Administration remove more barriers to attendance and encourage Classified staff to attend?
  - Discussion to change the perspective and culture of COM moving forward so that sessions are more inclusive and relevant for Classified staff. Ask presenters to keep non-faculty members in mind when planning workshop content.
  - PLC approves Equity in Mental Health proposal for Flex Week Thursday and Friday

- Flex Proposals Review
  - Discussion of priorities for Flex Proposals
  - Suggestion for "Not Racist" Is Not Enough: Understanding White Supremacy and Racial Justice" session to be held Wednesday after Convocation at IVC campus
- Updates for Convocation: Student panel; affinity groups

Next steps:

Food for thought: consider adding 15 minutes to PLC for fall meetings

CPL funding requests – raising the cap above \$500

Adjourn

**Next PLC meeting is August 2023.**