

AFT 2121 Delegate Assembly Meeting Minutes

5/14/2019 3-5 pm MUB 238

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1. m/s/p Approval of Agenda (with one opposed) and Minutes of 4/16/19
Grow the College

2. Fighting the Cuts. We had a very successful hearing last Friday that propelled us to a real conversation with the Mayor's office today. We've had a lot of good conversations with supervisors and have built a good base of support for ongoing efforts to fund the college. Our last Grow our CCSF coalition meeting is coming up. Please join us and we will be talking about summer plans on Monday at 2:30 at the AFT office. We are hearing from students that they are again having a really hard time registering. Admin hasn't sent out an email letting students know to register with MyCCSF. Erik Christianson met with Mandelman and several LGBTQ students to talk about how hard it is to get through school and what the experience of being here has meant to them. Mandelman was receptive and open to connecting with these students. There was a strong and powerful contingent of diversity studies students. It pushed back against the narrative that these cuts are inevitable. We encourage all of you to join those meetings.

Member Organizing

3. Membership numbers – we reviewed a membership report
4. House visits – **m/s/p \$400 to create two prizes for the non-member faculty who signs up to become a member and the organizer who gets us to 90%**

Diversity Committee – Preliminary report on the survey of Faculty opinion on Diversity at the college was given by Yvonne Webb. 176 responses so far. 166 union members. Yvonne will be working with Aliyah to analyze the detailed results of the survey. A report will be completed in June.

Political and Community Organizing

5. Free City – at our action on Friday, it was so inspiring to hear all the students talk about how much CCSF means to them. We are continuing to work on being included in negotiations that ensure the future of funding for the Free City program.
6. May 22nd Day of Action. We've been invited by CTA to get on a bus and go to Sacramento

to rally and advocate for better education funding. We will be teaming up with UESF. We will be getting on the bus at 1:30. At 5:00 today we will adjourn this meeting to COPE and there will be 4 people that are going for District Attorney. Some will be friendly to holding institutions and corporations accountable. Each will do a 5 minute presentation.

7. **End of semester party** has been moved to Friday, May 17th from 4-7 pm at El Rio in the back patio.

Resolutions

8. **m/s/p Resolution in support of equitable and sustainable development of affordable housing (against SB 50).** It sets ambitious housing goals for most cities, and gets rid of density regulations in order to do that. What's horrible is there aren't protections for existing communities. It will increase the value of the land so much and developers come in and bring their bulldozers with them. While mandating denser housing, there's no funding for infrastructure improvements for transit, water, electricity and the rest of what's needed. That's harmful for an organization like ours, where our fate is now tied to the city budget. SB 50 has no controls for affordable housing. It's built on the argument that if you just build more and more that everything will work out in the end. It's going to be a really big fight, because we do need housing, but not at any cost. We need a real community, working-class agenda. This is not that. Q: is there a proposal we can support? A: We hope that the affordable housing bond is as progressive as we hear. It seems that 2 out of 4 will be good. This came to us from the United for Housing Justice group.
9. **m/s/p Resolution for AFT National Union Democracy in the 2020 Election**
10. **m/s/p Resolution of No Confidence in State Chancellor of Community Colleges, Eloy Oakley**

Unfinished and New Business

11. SF Tenants' union is having a birthday party for rent control 6/11 6-9 pm **m/s/p to sponsor at \$500 (purchase of two tickets.)**
12. Facilities plans have been updated and the plan has changed to delay the academic part of the theater and music building to 2026, while creative arts would be demolished in 2023. They are prioritizing renovations over the new building. There's a group working on advocating for the PAEC to stay up-to-date with what's happening on those changes. It's a really big deal to tear down that building. Dennis Mullen, Kathe and Harry will stay in touch with this issue.
13. There is a Labor Day at the baseball game on Saturday June 22nd at the A's game. There will be a tailgate party. We have 10 tickets. 1:07 start time.
14. Marcos Cruz, student intern/organizer. Presented at BOS and was present at Mandelman visit we spoke about earlier. Many organizers on campus want to start a student assembly in a self-organized way. We will be initiating that in the Fall. We will be organizing during the summer. If you have students that want to get involved, Marcos is the point person for that and he invites your students to contact him. (James – we are very lucky to have so many students that are politically activated and pro-union). Marcos has been a strong leader as we work more closely with students.

15. Simon – Within this college our Academic Senate hasn't brought forward a vote of no confidence. Anyone can bring forward an agenda item. Tomorrow the Senate will vote for their officers for next year. Simon will bring forward our resolution to the senate.

16. m/s/p Adjournment to COPE

COPE

17. Endorsement vote: District Attorney – all of our candidates believe that we imprison too many people. That's a result of all the work of our allies, including the prison abolition movement, black lives matter, and others. We create movements and move the conversations. Each candidate completed a survey with the same questions.
- a. Nancy Tung: grassroots campaign. Not backed by a political party. Has prosecuted law enforcement officers. Focused on balance: for victims of crime and in favor of safety. "The tenderloin is overrun with drug dealers." Lower level offenders can be diverted, but we still need to go after those who are preying on our vulnerable communities.
 - b. Chesa Boudin: child of weather underground members who were incarcerated for their roles in a bank robbery in the 1970s. Motivated to fight the system of mass incarceration. "Our bail system undermines the integrity of every conviction."
 - c. Leif Dautch: committed to criminal justice. Came from a family that took in children through foster care. Interested in shutting down Juvenile Hall and turning it into a mental health justice center. Eviction defense unit.
 - d. Suzy Loftus: Worked closely with Kamala Harris. "We've divested from Education and put our money in incarceration." Partnered with Nadine Burke-Harris. "We need a public health approach to dealing with violence." Was on the SF police commission during massive transformational change. Changed use of force policies and added new restrictions. 30% reduction of force.

m/s/p to endorse Chesa Boudin (with 3 abstentions) and contribute \$500 from our Candidates' COPE fund (with 1 abstention).

18. Endorsement vote: Public Defender Manohar Araju – he has pledged to go above and beyond Jeff Adachi's work. James called people in the Public Defender's office – all give him props. He wasn't able to attend today, so we will invite him back in August. (tabled)
19. Contribution to Labor Council Poll. Gordon Mar is proposing a tax on companies' initial public offerings (IPOs). He needs to identify where that money will go. They want to hire a pollster to determine what use of the funds would poll best with the voters because it will be a ballot initiative. They asked for contributions towards the poll. We suggested that CCSF polls well with voters. **m/s/p contribute \$2000.**