

CODFA Faculty Association Newsletter



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Faculty Association



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Fred Sangiorgio, Dustin Culhan

Bargaining Update

The CODFA team put forward 11 dates for coming to the table this spring, but the DCCD team would only commit to 5: 3/30, 4/18, 4/27, 5/2 and 5/11. Last year we had 10 bargaining sessions, and that doesn't include the demand to bargain re H&W benefits. It may be this will not be enough time.

The DCCD team includes 3 vice presidents (Mary Anne Gularte, Pamela Ralston and Annebelle Nery) a director (Andrea Staehle) a dean (Leslie Young) and Spencer Covert, a district lawyer. Compare this with the three faculty on our team listed in the letter head of this newsletter.

Bargaining Issues

The faculty survey points to many familiar priorities:

- Salaries
- H&W Benefits (we're looking at supplemental benefits for retirees > 65 years old.)
- Non-credit SIU ratio parity.
- Class cancellation policy
- dual enrollment
- class size

Stay tuned for another survey!

Negotiations Support Group

The CODFA Executive Board is seeking membership support for the bargaining team. If you would like to contribute

- research
- graphics
- outreach

then please step forward and join this support group effort.

CCA Winter Conference

COD was well represented at the CCA Winter Conference at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel in Los Angeles, 2/23/17-2/26/17. Denise Diamond, Veronica Daut, Geoff Hagopian, Fred Sangiorgio, and Adjunct Association

reps David Bashore and Robert Holmes were in attendance and networked with sister associations from across the state.

Here are Veronica Daut (y bebe), Fred Sangiorgio and Geoff Hagopian.



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COD Faculty Association delivered an awesome presence at the 2017 2/10 BOT meeting which included some twenty members standing in support of Denise Diamond's powerful report to the BOT re the disrespectful treatment of Golf Management Guru Tony Manzoni.

