

LONG BEACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

The name of this organization shall be the Long Beach Community College District Classified Senate, hereinafter referred to as the Classified Senate.

Mission Statement:

The Classified Senate shall represent the classified professionals of Long Beach Community College District with regard to governance, decision-making, matters that are not related to collective bargaining and contract negotiations and, contributions to the campus community.

Purpose:

- Coordinate with administration and faculty to provide equitable opportunities for participation in shared governance.

- Provide a means through which the professionalism of classified professionals is articulated, valued, respected and, recognized.

- Facilitate communication among students, classified professionals, faculty, administrators and the surrounding community.

- Provide both professional and leadership development opportunities and, encourage positive personal growth.

- Act as an agent of change and collaboration by proposing revisions to established practices, recommending the addition of new policies and procedures, and/or recommending the deletion of old policies and procedures.

Objective:

The objective of this organization shall be to address the non-bargaining concerns of the classified professionals and, in the spirit of participatory governance, work with college management, academic senate and, student government in the development and implementation of college goals and objectives. This objective will promote campus community involvement, personal development and, collegiality.

The general membership of the Classified Senate shall include all regular, permanent and probationary, full-time and part-time merit system classified unit employees, whose work assignment is attached to the Long Beach Community College District.

The Classified Senate Council, hereinafter referred to as the Council, shall consist of five elected officers: president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and website and social media coordinator. It will also include eight senators and the exiting president. The primary function of the Council is to expedite the business of the Classified Senate.

The duties of the Council are described in the bylaws and shall be expanded as deemed necessary.

The Classified Senate may meet on campus for at least two hours per month each calendar year. Special meetings may be called by petition of at least ten percent of the membership or by majority vote of the Council.

The Classified Senate shall have standing committees and task forces and shall determine the definition, goals and, intended timeline for each. Standing committees shall be permanent with the purpose of conducting the business of the Classified Senate. Task forces shall be established by the president for the special purpose of dealing with issues, as the need arises. The chairperson of each task force shall be named by the Council. The chairperson of each established task force shall make task force membership recommendations to the Council, who will have the final responsibility for task force membership selection. It is the responsibility of the task force to have the final responsibility for task force membership selection. It is the responsibility of the task force to have the final responsibility for task force membership selection. It is the responsibility of the task force to have the final responsibility for task force membership selection.

The Classified Senate Council will form an elections committee and will conduct a general election every year, as described in the bylaws.

Simple parliamentary procedure shall govern the Classified Senate in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the constitution, the bylaws or, any special rules of order the Classified Senate may adopt.

Any Classified Senate Council member may recommend to the Council, in writing, a proposed amendment to the constitution.

1. Amendments to this constitution may be put to a vote during a general election of the classified staff when meeting one or more of the following criteria:
 - a. A two-thirds vote of the Classified Senate Council,
 - b. A petition signed by no less than 25% of the classified staff; or
 - c. The superintendent-