

March 19, 2009

To: FA XCouncil members
Fr: Richard Hansen
Re: XCouncil Summary message

This is _____, your FA representative with a brief summary of the March 18 Executive Council Meeting.

- Foothill English instructor Jordana Finnegan was appointed to serve as Foothill Conciliator beginning Fall 2009. Finnegan will train with current Conciliator Kim Wolterbeek and Grievance Officer Linda Lane during the spring quarter.
- FA President Richard Hansen read a statement to the Board of Trustees at their March 12 meeting expressing FA's dissatisfaction with Foothill administration in refusing to honor reemployment preference beyond a 55 percent load when offering part-time faculty assignments up to the new 67 percent state limit. Hansen expressed gratitude to De Anza administration both for their hard work in attempting to reach a mutually acceptable solution and also their pledge to continue honoring reemployment preference when making assignments beyond the 55 percent threshold.
- Chief Negotiator Anne Paye reported that the recently passed state budget already shows an \$8 billion tax revenue shortfall. If the District is forced to absorb additional cuts because of this deficit, the funding buffer held by the colleges and Central Services may not be sufficient to postpone layoffs until June 30, 2010, as previously announced.
- The FA Office will be closed during spring break week, March 30 – April 3 and will reopen on Monday April 6.