

CCFT Senate Report
Sept 9, 2022

1. **Support Adrienne Garcia-Specht**, candidate for Board of Trustees District 4 (So County). Adrienne is a former Cuesta faculty (English, 2015) and works in financial aid at Cal Poly. She's going to be a great representative for students. Please consider even a [small donation of \\$10](#) to help her in her campaign against trustee Sysak. If you live in South County, please consider a [yard sign and talking to your neighbors](#).
2. **Urgent: increase max PT load to 85%:** [urge Governor Newsom to sign AB 1856](#), increasing the max PT load from 67% to 85%. He might veto the bill for a 2nd straight year. He will decide on this bill by Sept 30.
3. **New Hybrid Peer Evaluation Form.** If you teach in a hybrid modality, there is a new evaluation form that combines DE and f2f criteria. It's available this semester for the few faculty who have evaluations scheduled. Huge thanks to Brittany Mojo, Jen Shellhorn, Amelia Marini! Forms should be on the HR site next week.
4. **CCFT appointees:** We have appointee spots available for the **Enrollment Management Committee** and the **Assistant Director of HR hiring committee**. PT faculty are eligible for a \$500 stipend for the hiring committee, courtesy of CCFT. Contact Greg Baxley if you're interested.
5. **Interim Grievance Officers:** Heather Tucker and Greg Baxley are filling in for Tom Patchell this semester while he serves as Acting Dean. If you are facing a disciplinary action, a student complaint, or any other sticky situation, contact Heather or Greg Baxley. You can also contact your divisional person serving on the CCFT Council of Reps if you need someone other than Greg or Heather.
6. **Lower Dues!** CCFT has reduced your monthly member dues by 6%, down to 1.2%. With the 6% salary increase everyone earned starting in August, it's like a 12% raise! OK, maybe math doesn't work like this, but it sounds good!
7. **Why be a member?** Your dues pay for things like grievance representation, lobbying efforts that result in big COLAs, student scholarships, and supporting BOT candidates. Dues also help in compensating awesome faculty leaders who serve on district hiring committees (like Lisa Schicker, Jen Shellhorn, Jeff Nachtigal, and Elisabeth Deswart). You can [check your membership status](#) (and hear a great song in the linked video) in your pay stub in MyCuesta. If you have CCFT dues taken out, you're a member. [If not, sign up!](#)
8. **Pay Parity for PT faculty:** On Sept 8, Tony Hertz sent an email about AB 1752, which would require pay parity for PT faculty. The bill is stalled in committee but you can [send a letter in support](#).