

Los Padres CATESOL

Bd Mtg minutes - Fri, 3/22/19 (1:00 – 2:00pm, John's house)

Present: Terease Chin (Treasurer; SBCC NC), Sue Gessert (Kaplan), Andreea Nicolaescu (Secretary), Randy Rightmire (UCSB), John Robertson (Chapter coord), Doug Smith (website)

Fall conference, including:

Doug and Terease sent in an application to City College requesting the cafeteria and five rooms (four classrooms and a computer lab) in the Humanities building for a fall conference. Trying to keep maximum distance from (before or after) the statewide conference on Oct 3-6, we chose #1 Sat, Nov 2, and #2 Sat, Sept 7. Jesse Felix replied that they have reviewed the application (feedback coming) but can't make a decision on an activity in Fall Term until late May.

Preliminary details re the day's schedule:

7:00 venue set-up

8:30 registration (via Eventbrite: modify form to add level of interest which can also provide advance data from grouping levels) / 2-tiered admission for members vs non-members networking / book tables / food **Terease:** Check previous registration and food bills; **John:** ask book reps re availability – send a range of dates

9:30 Plenary – **Andreea** approach Jan Frodesen, EMS dept head, UCSB. Jan may have an opinion about an appropriate topic for a plenary speaker.

Break-out 1 (**10:30**) & 2 (**11:30**) (4 presenters / session) – Ideas that appealed to us: learning disabilities; Chinese international students

12:30 Lunch To save on costs (for a shorter conference), we may just serve snacks; each table seats an interest group; have a table leader set the discussion; end with Opportunity Drawing

1:30 dismiss & clean up **2:00** gone home

Possible activities for later this spring or summer:

- Social gathering - Conference share - Book fair

Date: Thu, May 9; Fri, May 10; Fri, July 5

Location: Wake, Schott (Sachi O. help arrange), Kaplan (game room)

1) **Offering training for teachers to be IELTS and Cambridge test officials.** IELTS administration testing: Approach Nazish (trainer) and Carmen (administrator) and John Olcott (Cambridge) to present. **Danny** will ask how long this training takes; how much advance notice presenters need. 2) Informing non-tenured teachers re the ins and outs of **applying for unemployment** benefits during winter and summer holidays. Ask AFT for expert presenters.

Meeting adjourned 2:15 Next meeting: Fri, Apr 26, 1-2pm, John's house