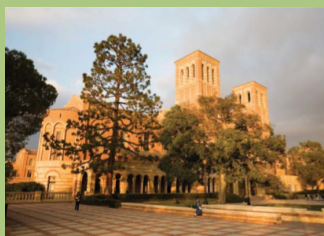


Association Notes



May 2008

Join the Association for several events and opportunities

This newsletter has been prepared to provide information about events and opportunities for members between now and the start of school in August.

Time to Vote

Faculty Association elections are now underway. You must have your ballots in to Mary Rivera, the Elections Chairperson, by Thursday, May 15th at noon. The following people are running for offices:

Vice-President / President-Elect

- Adam Wetsman

Treasurer

- Linda Hawley
- Matt Koutroulis

Secretary

- Colin Young

Finances Chairperson

- Mark Littrell
- Mary Ann Pacheco

Community Relations Chairperson

- Martha Carreon



Logo Contest

Are you graphically creative? The Faculty Association is looking for someone to create a logo to represent the union. Drawing from the great success of the Access Rio logo design contest, the Association will do the same. The winner will receive a \$50 prize. In addition, the logo will be used for many Association items including letter-head, shirts, and future newsletters.

Submissions must be provided to Jennifer Fernandez (jfernandez@riohondo.edu) by the end of May in electronic format. A vote will be held during the summer and the winner will be announced at Flex Day in August.



Summer Events

Dodger Game



The Faculty Association is sponsoring a day at a Dodger game. On Sunday, June 22nd at 1:10, the Dodgers will be playing host to the Cleveland Indians. A block of 60 tickets has been reserved in the Infield Reserve section. Tickets run about \$30 in that section.

Due to a group sales discount which brings the price down to \$14, the Association will pay all but \$7 per ticket. In other words, you can enjoy the game with your colleagues for about a quarter of the price of a regular ticket. Your kids and spouses can join you as well for the same low price of \$7.

To reserve your space, please contact Adam Wetsman through email (awetsman@riohondo.edu). Remember that space is limited so you should sign up as soon as possible. The \$7 per ticket payment must be received by graduation or your spot will be released. You can pay cash or make checks payable to RHCFA.

Help with Bargaining



Increasing the involvement level of Association members in the bargaining process is desirable. To that end, a bargaining assistance team is going to be established. Representatives from each division will help direct and advise the members of the bargaining team. Therefore, people are needed to fill these important slots.

In addition, there will be some adjustment to the bargaining team starting in the fall. Jim Chandler, Doreen Kaller, and Adam Wetsman will be returning. Two more members will be added.

To help introduce people to bargaining, the Association is going to host an event during the summer (perhaps a barbeque). Those attending will be given information about the process and what is involved as either a member of the negotiating or bargaining assistance team. More information will be provided once it becomes available.

Summer Institute



Just in case you did not have enough meetings, the California Teachers Association (CTA) is sponsoring a series of workshops on a variety of important issues. You are urged to take advantage of the opportunity to attend. Our faculty association will pay the costs of attendance.

Offered during the first week of August at UCLA, several strands are available.

Week-long strands

- Communications
- Negotiations

Partial-week strands

- Healthcare Benefits
- Legal Track
- Member Benefits
- Community Outreach

Contact Adam Wetsman through email (awetsman@riohondo.edu) for more information.