

## Journalism Department Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2024

**Attendees:** Kate McLaughlin, Stefanie Frith, Jessica Martinez, Ricky Gonzalez (guest), Jason Barquero (guest)

**Division Office:** Scott Kushigemachi, Ed Rice, Erica Soohoo

### General Business:

1. Social media policy, Ricky Gonzalez, 2:15-2:45  
<https://eccunion.com/opinion/editorials/2024/04/24/give-students-control-of-their-clubs-social-media/>
2. Workforce Programs & Career Pathways Jason Barquero, 2:45-3:00
3. Grant application update
  - o Faculty discussed the Foundation grant they'll be applying for to pay for a projector/AV equipment for the newsroom.
4. H113 missing adapters
  - o Stefanie has spoken to the students and made them aware of the issue.
5. Lab parity for photo classes
  - o Nguyet submitted the form.
6. Dual Enrollment equivalency/application
  - o Scott shared that another high school is interested in offering photojournalism classes and faculty discussed how the class would be staffed.
7. New Orleans conference and competition update
  - o Journalism students attended the CMA Conference in New Orleans and brought back many awards. Stefanie shared that they are ranked #1 among 2-year colleges, and will send out an announcement sharing their successes with the college.
8. Spring conference/travel plans
  - o Students will attend a conference in New York in Spring 2025. More information is forthcoming.
9. Photographer feedback
  - o Faculty will remind the photographers to be aware of safety issues when working.
10. Deep clean — it happened!
11. Printing costs
  - o Due to an increase in printing prices with GVN, the total cost is expected to be about \$1,000 more than last year. Scott reminded faculty to submit any transfer requests as soon as possible, keeping in mind the requisition deadline in March, as the process requires VP approval.

### Updates:

- Academic Senate (Stephanie B., Shane, Kevin, Brent, Sean, Erica B.)
  - o No representatives in attendance.
- AFT/Union (Shane, Susan, Elayne, Mora, Sean)
  - o No representatives in attendance.
- ASO
  - o No representatives in attendance.
- Counseling (Sabra, Rosa, Amy, Rocio)
  - o No representatives in attendance.
- DCC (Chelsea, Matt K.)
  - o No representatives in attendance.
- Guided Pathways (Argelia, Chris P.)
  - o No representatives in attendance.
- SLO (Andrew, Elise)
  - o No representatives in attendance.