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Dear Colleagues:

The LPC Classified Senate has good news to announce. We have had a group of dedicated members over the years – and currently - who participate in college governance committees, and have led us through scholarship fundraising, educational flex days, and now ...

**We have been notified that  
the California Community Colleges Classified Senate (4CS)  
has selected the LPC Classified Senate as a ‘Model Classified Senate’!**

Our Senate is one of 5 which will be recognized with an award at the Classified Leadership Institute on June 24<sup>th</sup>, in Ventura. This will be accepted on our behalf by Lilia Camino, from the MSEPS Division Office. Please read the attached letter from Russell Hamilton, 4CS President to find out what it takes to become a Model Classified Senate.

Over the decades our Classified Professionals have built a vigorous Senate. **We could not have reached this milestone without the many contributions others before us have made.** When I look over the Classified roster, I see many, many names of people who have made time-consuming and sometimes difficult contributions to the work. **To all of you: please know that your volunteerism and commitment have paid off and are greatly appreciated.**

In addition, we could not have reached this milestone without the recognition of our District’s three Classified Senates by our District and College administrators, both past and present. As we know, Classified Senates have no legislative mandate to assemble and Classified volunteers do not receive release or reassigned time. This in itself is a high commendation for each administrator’s willingness to work with our members to accommodate some unavoidable Senate work during the work day, while also getting our assigned work completed. Information from the 4CS shows that this amount of backing is in the top 10% of community colleges in California. **Therefore, we sincerely thank the Board, the Chancellor, Interim President Lease, our past Presidents, Vice Presidents, Deans, and Supervisors for your support!**

It is also noteworthy to mention that last year Chabot’s Classified Senate received a Model Senate award. Let’s keep up the good work Classified Professionals!

Cordially,

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