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We are Very Happy to Welcome the Following Faculty to the CCFT Family

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Tom Brewer/Temporary Engineering & Technology
Leila Chamber/Regular Business Education
Margaret Collier/Regular Human Development
Diane Diamond/Temporary English
Jeffrey Donnelly/Temporary Performing Arts
Denise Egan/Temporary Human Development
James McComb/Temporary Social Sciences
James Miley/Regular Performing Arts
Robert Moorhead/Temporary Engineering &
Technology
Don Norton/Regular Human Development
Jose Olvera/Temporary Mathematics
Michael Polcen/Regular Business Education
Gary Rubin/Temporary Business Education

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MEMBERSHIP IN CCFT CONTINUES TO GROW!

Union membership is at its highest point ever. Eighty-four percent of full-time faculty are members of CCFT, that is, 127 out of 152 faculty. Further, about 40% of part-time faculty are members. That is an excellent percentage in terms of typical part-time membership statewide, but we hope to see more part-time faculty join the union.

Goodbye and Hello

We say goodbye to June Henry (English) as the Part-time Faculty Chair on the Executive Board. June has put in several years of dedicated service to the EB, the union, and the part-time faculty. Although we will miss her passion and her good humor, we wish her well in her professional endeavors. Thanks, June!

We welcome Jill Schubert (Business Ed) to the Executive Board as the new Part-time Faculty Chair. Jill has served on the negotiating team for the past year and has been an extremely valuable member of the team. Part-timers, contact Jill at jillschubert@charter.net with questions and concerns.

We also say goodbye to Vicki Bursey and Mark Turner whose one-year terms as Council of Representatives liaisons to the Executive Board are ending this semester (they are not seeking re-election). On behalf of the Executive Board, I would like to thank both Mark and Vicki for the valuable work they've contributed this past year to the Executive Board, the union, and the faculty. We wish them a restful holiday.

Big "Thank You's To..."

Diane Salmon and Ed Maduli for getting all the faculty enrolled in the SISC PPO's.

The faculty on the Health Insurance Committee under the leadership of
Tony Rector-Cavagnaro, Chair:

Dana Gough Kathy Peters Chris Akelian Bill Richmond
Joe Vasta

The CCFT Evaluations Subcommittee, Spring and Fall 2002 under the leadership of
Hedy Carra, Chair:

Mark Turner Marie Larsen MJ Basti Mark Weber Linda Zeuschner
Peter Dill Kevin Bontenbal Bev Larson
Karen Robert & her Student Leadership class

The Faculty who donated 330 dollars to the AFT AIDS/Africa Campaign and the
Executive Board who matched the amount for a total of 660 dollars.

**WHERE DO MY FAIR SHARE FEES/DUES GO?
(reprinted in part from the October 2001 Unionews)
by Marilyn Rossa**

Periodically, the Federation has sent out an information sheet to members to let them know how their dues are distributed. Since we have fee-payers as well as members, we thought this would be a good time to send out this information again. In case there's still any confusion, your fees/dues go only to the categories listed below. CCFT does not donate any of your dues or agency fees to political candidates, political issues, or charities.

If you have had any questions about where your money goes, we hope the information provided answers those questions. If not, give me or Mark Tomes a call.

Based on the Median Salary of Faculty

	Temporary	Permanent
	\$6270 (per semester):	\$65,188 (per year)
Monthly Dues/Fees to CCFT:	\$11.72	\$65.19
Monthly dues: To AFT:	\$2.99	\$11.95
To CFT:	\$3.15	\$25.20
To California Labor Federation:	\$0.47	\$0.47
To Tri-Counties Central Labor Council:	\$0.20	\$0.20
To AFT Occupational Liability Insurance:	\$1.00	\$1.00 (out of member's dues only)
To CFT Raoul Teilhet Scholarship Fund:	\$0.20	\$0.20 (out of members' dues only)
Left over for CCFT to do the things it needs to do	\$3.71	\$26.17

(Note: Approximately \$1.00 per month per member goes to CFT for educational lobbying; approximately, \$0.25 per month goes to AFT for educational lobbying. No money goes toward candidates running for election or non-educational issues. Those dollars come from voluntary contributions to COPE funds.)

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The following resolution was passed by the CFT Community College Council (9/20/02), the CFT State Council (9/21/02), and subsequently by the CCFT Executive Board (11/30/02)

Resolution Against War with Iraq

Whereas, the United States and Britain have been bombing Iraq on a virtually continuous basis since the end of the Gulf War, and

Whereas, the Bush administration has presented no credible evidence that Iraq has intentions of harming the citizens of this country or that Iraq presents a threat to the United States, and

Whereas, the Bush administration is seeking any pretext to overthrow the government of a sovereign nation, in violation of international law, and

Whereas, a war with Iraq would require the re-direction of vital resources and funds to a destructive, senseless, and illegal goal while further strengthening an administration that has restricted the civil liberties of its citizens, and

Whereas, this administration is using the so-called "War on Terrorism" to distract the American people from the vital issues they confront,

Therefore, be it resolved that the California Federation of Teachers goes on record as strenuously opposing the Bush administration's march toward war with Iraq,

And be it further resolved that the California Federation of Teachers urge its members and affiliates to get involved with organizations working toward stopping the Bush administration's march toward war with Iraq.

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