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Subject: Endorsements & More



## 4C's UPDATE: NOVEMBER 2008

### ELECTION DAY: Vote November 4

The 4C's Political Action Committee, with the approval of the Delegate Assembly, has endorsed 82 state legislative candidates this year. Endorsements were based on candidates' records or on their pledge to support the community college system, our contract, and other issues that are important to us.



Several labor organizations, including the SEIU CT State Council and the CT AFL-CIO, are opposing ballot question 1 on the Constitutional Convention. Because convention delegates are chosen by the legislature, average citizens will have no say in who goes or what issues are discussed.

- >>> [See the List of 4C's Endorsed Candidates](#)
- >>> [Read an AFL-CIO leaflet on the Constitutional Convention](#)
- >>> [Visit the VOTE NO website](#)

### We Want Your Input on the 4C's Constitution

The union's Governance Committee has been working on revisions to our Constitution, with the goal of promoting democracy and transparency within the union. One area which has prompted much debate is the composition of the Executive Board, how board members are selected, and even whether an Executive Board is needed. Delegates will be discussing proposed changes at their November and December meetings and need your input! In the near future, the draft constitution, along with a summary of proposed changes, will be on the 4C's website. Any changes will have to be approved by the membership.

### Applying for Promotion?

See our Tips for Writing a Promotion Application as well as examples of several successful [Promotion Applications on the 4C's website](#). And remember, any member may apply; you are no longer held back by the three years-in-rank rule.

## 4C's Calendar

**TRCC Chapter Mtg**  
Nov. 3, 4 PM, A103

**Election Day**  
Tue., Nov. 4

**Veterans Day**  
Tue., Nov. 11

**Delegate Assembly**  
Fri. Nov. 14, 5:30  
Dinner, 6 PM Meeting,  
4C's Office

**MCC Chapter Mtg**  
Nov. 20, 3:45 PM, LRC  
B142

**All ACL Lunch & Meeting**  
Nov. 21, 10:30 AM to  
12:30 PM, Gateway

**CCC Chapter Mtg**  
Nov. 24, Auditorium

**GWCC Chapter Mtg**  
Nov. 24, 11:30 AM-1 PM  
(lunch), Room 160

**Thanksgiving**  
November 27

**Delegate Assembly**  
Dec. 12, 5:30 Dinner, 6  
PM Meeting, 4C's Office



Candidates still need to meet the minimum qualifications for the new rank (Refer to Schedule B in our Contract) and need to produce promotion applications which are persuasive, informative, and fact-based.

### **Testimony Completed in Distance Learning Arbitration**



The final distance learning arbitration hearing was held on October 29. Many thanks to our members who testified: Janet Lanci (HCC), Cheryl Turgeon (ACC), and Lois Aime (NCC), and to our AFT coalition partner Dennis Bogusky. We expect the arbitrator's award to be submitted to the legislature for approval in the spring.

### **SEBAC Monitors State Budget Scenario**

The coalition of state employee unions (SEBAC) is keeping a close eye on the state's fiscal condition. The Governor has suggested a meeting with SEBAC leadership in the next few weeks. Any news or information arising from such a meeting will be shared with our members.

See more photos of the 35th Anniversary Party, thanks to Janet Lanci from HCC.

**HAPPY HALLOWEEN!**

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