

To: members of the Cañada College Academic Senate

From: Lisa Palmer

Date: January 22, 2024

Re: self-nomination for replacement AS secretary position

I would like to be Academic Senate secretary for the Spring 2024 semester because my skills and experiences prepare me for the position and because I enjoy being an active participant on Senate.

My relevant training includes more years than I want to count of English and Comparative Literature courses with the commensurate reading and writing requirements (BA, with Honors—Stanford; MA—Columbia; PHD—UCLA).

My relevant experience includes many years on Academic Senate, beginning as Humanities and Social Sciences representative when I was first hired at Cañada more than twenty years ago and encompassing longtime gigs as chair of Professional Development and Curriculum Chair (current).

I have been Joan Murphy's backup note-taker at numerous Humanities/SS divisions, semester-long substitute secretary for AFT, and the secretary for my local homeowners' association (2020 – present).

I pride myself on taking quick, accurate, and pithy notes, and disseminating them expeditiously to the relevant parties while our memories are fresh.

I recognize that this will require finding another member of the Curriculum Committee to attend AS, but I'm confident that I will be able to elicit volunteers.

Thank you for your consideration.