



# ARC CLASSIFIED PROFESSIONALS ELECTIONS NEWSLETTER

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## LIZ JOHNSON



**Current Job Title:**

Receiving Clerk

**Position Nominated:**

Senator

**Area of Representation:**

Operations

**Term of Office:**

2.5 years (October 10, 2018—June 30, 2021)

**Why vote for Liz?:**

Liz represents the blue collar unit (Officer in SEIU) and has a unique perspective.

## LAKIA DECOSTA



**Current Job Title:**

Student Personnel Assistant—Communication Center

**Position Nominated:**

Communications Officer

**Term of Office:**

1.5 years (October 10, 2018—June 30, 2020)

**Why vote for Lakia?**

At this time, Lakia is currently representing the Classified Professionals by being the main contact for potential new incoming students assisting them with the college onboarding process as well as current student follow-up. She is involved in many Student Services committees where the Classified voice needs to be heard, attending Classified Senate meetings as a guest to be more involved as well as serving as equity officer of Classified hiring committees. Lakia is familiar with the campus, well liked and has a non-biased opinion. With this experience, Lakia would represent the Classified Professionals in a way that is poised and understanding.

## NICOLE MOISE



**Current Job Title:**

Instructional Assistant

**Position Nominated:**

Senator

**Area of Representation:**

Instruction

**Term of Office:**

1.5 years (October 10, 2018—June 30, 2020)

**Why vote for Nicole?:**

Nicole would like to represent the Classified Professionals to advocate and inform of the professional resources available to staff.

Nicole served on the Classified Senate Bylaws Redesign team. Currently, Nicole serves on the Student Success Council at American River College.

## BETH TALBOTT



**Current Job Title:**

Administrative Assistant II

**Position Nominated:**

Senator

**Area of Representation:**

Student Services

**Term of Office:**

1.5 years (October 10, 2018—June 30, 2020)

**Why vote for Beth?**

Beth would be a great representative for the Student Services Division as she works within Student Services and has a vested interest in helping to improve our department. In addition, Beth has been a student as well as a staff member, and she is always looking to make sure our students, as well as our staff, receive the support that they need from the Student Services Departments.

## ROSA LANE

**Current Job Title:**

Student Personnel Assistant

**Position Nominated:**

Senator

**Area of Representation:**

Student Services

**Term of Office:**

1.5 years (October 10, 2018—June 30, 2020)

**Why vote for Rosa?:**

Rosa has been an SPA since 1983; worked 23 years at CRC in Athletics, Transfer, Counseling, Student Activities. Currently Rosa is happy to be at DSPS for the last 12 years.

Rosa served on the Classified Senate Bylaws Redesign Work Group.

## LIZ GEISSER

**Current Job Title:**

Instructional Assistant

**Position Nominated:**

Senator

**Area of Representation:**

Outreach/Workforce

**Term of Office:**

1.5 years (October 10, 2018—June 30, 2020)

**Why vote for Liz?**

Having worked at outreach centers for a large portion of her academic career, Liz has a deep understanding of both how these centers fit into the larger goals and visions of the institution they serve and how their employees can feel cut off from their colleagues and left out of the broader conversations

happening on main campus that affect their ability to serve students well. In addition, as a 10 month employee who works heavily with staff that is mostly comprised of highly skilled and well educated temporary classified employees, Liz can offer the Senate a perspective that is often overlooked by many full time, permanent Classified Professionals. Likewise, Liz's position as an Instructional Assistant who spends most of her time working directly with students and faculty offers her and the Senate a unique opportunity to connect with all of the college's major constituent groups: students, faculty, and Classified Professionals.

## KRISTIN FARLOW



**Current Job Title:**

Administrative Assistant to the Office of Vice President of Student Services

**Position Nominated:**

Senator

**Area of Representation:**

Student Services

**Term of Office:**

1.5 years (October 10, 2018—June 30, 2020)

**Why vote for Kristin?:**

Kristin hopes to help other Classified Professionals participate and grow in knowledge of resources for professional growth, campus participation, and leadership skills. She would like each classified professional to be able to grow and be

empowered to find the right fit at ARC, and that comes with continued learning opportunities for growth and acquiring of new skills and ideas so we are able to constantly push for excellence and success for our students, ourselves, and our district. This also involves continued contact with each other as classified professionals for support through various professional development opportunities and social gatherings. We are set as a Senate to continue to grow into a strong group of leaders, and Kristin look forward to representing the voices of our Classified Professionals in our various Student Services areas as a part of the Senate!

## CARISSA THOMAS



**Current Job Title:**

Library Technician

**Position Nominated:**

Secretary (Officer Position)

**Term of Office:**

1.5 years (October 10, 2018—June 30, 2020)

**Why vote for Carissa?**

Carissa has enjoyed serving on the Classified Senate as the Secretary and she would appreciate a second term to advance her leadership abilities. Carissa is kind, organized and pays a tremendous amount of attention to detail. She recently participated in Governance note taker training, which she found quite informative. As the secretary Carissa plans to continue to promote recognition and communication among classifieds.

She is excited serve and is looking forward to the upcoming changes within the senate.

## JESSICA PRESSLEY

**Current Job Title:**

Student Personnel Assistant

**Position Nominated:**

Senator

**Area of Representation:**

Student Services

**Term of Office:**

1.5 years (October 10, 2018—June 30, 2020)

**Why vote for Jessica?:**

Being here at ARC for 2 years now, Jessica has wanted an opportunity to get involved and be a voice for the classified professionals. She feels that being a part of the senate will give her the chance to make positive changes and continue to create a positive working environment and offer support to fellow classified professionals.

## VIORICA PETCAN

**Current Job Title:**

Clerk III

**Position Nominated:**

Senator

**Area of Representation:**

Instruction

**Term of Office:**

1.5 years (October 10, 2018—June 30, 2020)

**Why vote for Viorica?:**

Viorica would like to join the Classified Senate for the following reasons:

- Encourage classified professionals' involvement/communication in campus life
- Voice classified needs, concerns, viewpoints, and recommendations on college issues
- Promote the recognition of classified professionals as a valued part of the college workforce

## LYNN GRIMSTAD



**Current Job Title:**

Senior IT Technician

**Position Nominated:**

Treasurer (Officer Position)

**Term of Office:**

2.5 years (October 10, 2018—June 30, 2021)

**Why vote for Lynn?:**

Lynn has been part of the ARC Classified Senate for many years. He is the current Treasurer for the senate and is rerunning for the same position.

Lynn contributes a lot to the current senate. He has the experience to advise the senate about proper procedures or ways to go about new ideas. Also, Lynn dedicates his time and effort for each classified event. He takes the lead on many activities like fundraising, professional development, and advocating

for fellow classified professionals. Lynn has been a stable voice in the senate and the senate would do well to have him continue serving in the same role.