

# CCRIPSA Monthly

November 2018

## *From the President...*

As promised, I am committed to transparency & keeping members informed, therefore, welcome to our first monthly newsletter! This regular communication will provide CCRIPSA members with union updates & other relevant information.

Additionally, I've been in touch with both the Faculty Association & ESPA Presidents regarding the January session. We agreed in supporting the efforts of the faculty to negotiate a fair contract to include the newly created winter term. Like CCRIPSA, CCRIFA has been trying for months to finalize a new contract! Unfortunately, the administration hasn't presented reasonable terms on some key issues. Plus, I've seen correspondences from different academic chairs specifically reminding the VPAA that they didn't agree or support for certain courses to be offered in the new term. Therefore, I encourage our members to avoid teaching a winter session class, until a fair resolution has been made between CCRIFA and the administration.

Respectfully, Jude Tomasino, CCRIPSA President

## Updates

- The contract negotiation team is working to finalize an acceptable contract. More information will be shared with members when details are available. Until a new contract is ratified by the membership, our old contract is still in place, per the evergreen provision.
- Donations towards the NEARI Children's Fund Gingerbread Express will take place again in December. More information will be sent soon.

## Member Spotlight

**Deb Watson** recently represented CCRI at the NEACRAO annual Reverse College Day & Annual Conference held in Newport.

**Stephanie Cruz** is serving as President of The New England Educational Opportunity Association.

Want to share an accomplishment, professional achievement, etc., please e-mail Jude at [jatomasino@ccri.edu](mailto:jatomasino@ccri.edu) by the first Friday of the month.

## Area Reps

Have a question about your contract, need guidance on a workplace grievance, new to the union environment? Please connect with your area representative. These individuals are your first-line of contact to help with issues that you may be facing...

**Knight Campus:** Camille Numerich & John Vota

**Flanagan Campus:** Melissa Braun & Sara Horstmann

**Liston Campus:** Wale Fayanjoula & Toni Stokes

**Newport County Campus:** Toni Spirito

**Contact information for area representatives...**

<https://www.ccri.edu/ccripsa/area-reps.html>

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