

California School Employees Association



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Chapter 33 E-Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 2, 2011

Location: CSM-Building 1-153

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Members present: Juanita Celaya, Linda Herda, John Martinez, Herb Mintz, Annette Perot, Ulysses Guadamuz, Jeanne Stalker, Rachel Corrales, Chris Weidman, Mario Pena, Kathy Chaika, Chuck La Mere, Charles Jones, Voileta Grigorescu

Meeting called to order 5:06pm – Annette Perot

1. Approval of minutes of E-Board Meeting of February 16, 2011 – Annette Perot
Minutes were attached to agenda. Motion to approve as amended –Ulysses Guadamuz/Chris Weidman Motion – passed/1 abstained.
2. Treasurer's Report – Linda Herda
2110 Audit completed Tuesday, March 1, 2011. Approval was sent to Annette Perot, needs to be voted on.

Report of account activity and ending balances for February 2011 were attached to agenda.

Checking account ending balance: \$ 7310.19

Savings account ending balance: \$ 7922.63

3. Negotiations Update – Chris Weidman

With regards to CSEA's last proposal to increase medical cap for the 2009-10 contract, the District countered with no changes. Kathy Chaika expressed concern and the need to wrap things up and move on to the 2010-11 contract negotiations. The negotiations team will return to the bargaining table and ask for a me-to0 clause and retroactive pay on salary increase (8.1) and medical cap (9.1) if any other group settle with increases, if rejected we will move forward with no changes, the importance of having a contract in place during this fiscal crisis is paramount. E-board gave approval on strategy.

Discussed possible strategies for the 2010-11 through 2013 contract.

4. Discussion of Michael Bilbrey seeking a seat on the CalPERS Board – Diana Hull

Discussed the importance of electing Michael Bilbrey for the CalPERS Board of Administration and getting the word out to the members. E-board members were asked to relate this to at least 10 CSEA members and fill out a flyer pledging their vote of support to elect Michael Bilbrey.

5. Discussion on the importance of electing Leland Yee for Mayor of San Francisco – Herb Mintz

Leland Yee has always been a supporter CSEA. He was one of the few legislators who signed CSEA's commitment card, and supported complete funding of the Educational System in California. He supported the No on B campaign in San Francisco that passed, protecting health and pension benefits of public employee unions in the City. It is important to pledge our support – even if we don't live in San Francisco, because what happen in San Francisco could impact us down the peninsula.

6. Member Involvement at union meetings – Juanita Celaya

The issue of membership involvement (or lack thereof) in the union was discussed. Juanita has been taking in informal survey of members asking why they don't participate in union meetings and if there are any changes that could be made to make them participate more. There were several reasons that were repeated by most such as conflicting schedules, boring, felt subjects didn't pertain to them, it was a waste of time, too social, not business-like enough, always ran late. However, most members also expressed praise for the executive board and the job they are doing on the members' behalf, and because of the good job they are doing they don't feel the need to be involved. Herb Mintz was praised on the work he does on the newsletter, and because of this they feel well informed. E-Board will discuss ways to possibly change the meeting to attract more member involvement.

7. CPAC – Charles Jones

Reported that CSEA is asking that we participate in the We Are One rally on April 4 in solidarity with workers in Wisconsin. The Republican governor is supporting a bill that will limit the collective bargaining rights of public sector unions in Wisconsin. Governor Schwarzenegger tried to weaken public unions with two propositions back in 2005.

8. CPRO – Herb Mintz

Relinquished his time to Charles Jones.

9. President Comments – Annette Perot

Thank you for coming.

Motion to Adjourn – Charles Jones/Ulysses

Adjourned 6:35pm