CNTA’s Community For Better Schools

4/18/18 Minutes

Present:
Loretta Arenas
Jerry Goar
Kristi Johnson

Not Present:
Michelle Gardner

I. School Board Trustee Areas 2 and 4 Election

--Area 2: two potential candidates have expressed interest in running for School Board and have approached PAC with said interest. Incumbent, Bill Newberry, is seeking re-election.

--Area 4: To date, no one has reached out to CNTA about entering the race for School Board in this area. Incumbent, John Zickefoose, is seeking re-election.

II. Labor Coalition Update

--Trevor Walsh, Corona Fire, reached out to PAC asking for available dates for end of May and beginning of June to participate in panel interviews for local race candidates.

--Present PAC members stated they are willing to join the panel interviews. Discussed splitting up the task among our PAC members. Jerry may be available early June, Loretta is available end of May and early June, Kristi is also open to end of May and June. Will see what dates Michelle is available.
III. Superintendent of Public Instruction (Tony Thurmond) GOTV
   --Since time is short, we can ask Elisa to get buttons and signs for CNTA to pass out to every site.
   --If no time for that, Kristi suggested we can use last Rep Council of the year to get each of our Reps Tony Thurmond buttons to pass out to the members at their schools. Have Thurmond signs also available for members to take/share.

IV. CNTA/Student Voter Registration Drive

   --Jerry suggested using our Day of the Teacher celebration as an opportunity to get some of our members registered to vote/update voter registration. Have printouts of those registered already and award them with a raffle ticket (different color than the one’s already being passed out for celebration). Those who are not registered can do so electronically using the PAC laptop and award them with the ticket once done. Raffle prizes given that day.
   --Kristi stated we could also ask Elisa to print the voter registration list of our members for surrounding counties, reach out to those who are not registered via personal email to encourage them to register before the deadline (5/21/18).
   --Jerry suggested having Student Voter Registration at CNTA. Will see if that is permissible. Ask high school ASB’s to promote it. Perhaps make it a competition between high schools to encourage participation? If unable to use CNTA, use a local restaurant? Loretta will check with Elisa about what is allowed.
   --If we can do the above drive, is it possible to get training on rules and regulations regarding Registering Voters for members involved with this? Loretta will ask Elisa.

V. CNTA PAC endorsed county candidates UPDATE

   --Loretta will present the info on the candidate running against Jose Alcala for the Riverside Community College Board of Trustees, Areas 4, per Rep. Councils request. As well as further information regarding Mr. Alcala’s platforms.
--Dr. Judy White, the PAC endorsed Riverside County Board of Education candidate, is running unopposed. This will also be shared at next Rep. Council. Loretta will also get Dr. White’s platforms in the event Rep. Council would like that information as well.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00