

CNTA Representative Council Meeting

March 15, 2016

I. Call meeting to order at 4:03 P.M. Flag Salute

II. **AGENDA APPROVAL/APPROVAL OF MINUTES**, February 16, 2016

Minutes accepted. Agenda accepted with flexibility.

III. Reports

- A. President's report- This is a safe place for reps to speak. It can be interpreted falsely, if it leaks out without the right context. Some topics are controversial. Some teachers have been given recognition at the state level. Jessica Fuller (Orange Grove), Carlos Guillen, Support Services Employee of the Year (Home Gardens), Melanie Oliver (Highland). And Rob Yoshida, Councilor of the year (Citrus Hills). Congratulations to the teachers of the year. Three topics in the news. Vegara case is being heard again in Los Angeles. It regards due process, not tenure. Friedrichs vs CTA was sent to the Supreme Court. This would have changed our dues collection. Now with a 4-4 decision, it will come back to the 9th circuit court in California, who already decided in favor of CTA. We will learn more in June. There are 27 more similar cases. The Morgan Hill lawsuit wanted student data released. See the district webpage to view the case and student privacy rules that would be broken. Harold was part of the Early Career Leadership Fellows program that took 7 new teachers to Washington DC for a meeting. Be careful with emails, because they are not confidential. It is a good idea to use student number instead of names. We have laptops available for people to vote for the San G seats at the NEA-RA. Vote now or tonight. It closes tomorrow. Harold introduced Elisa Gusdal, our new Uniserve Director. CNTA office will be closed Thursday and Friday of Spring Break. Shredding day will be scheduled soon.
- B. Vice President's report- Julie has been involved with staffing, displacement, and transfers. She will give guidance, if clarification is needed. She has been in negotiations and CNSEF. She went to the GSA Unity dance. The retirement bash will be big at Eagle Glen. It will be in May. 87 people are retiring, so guests will be limited.
- C. Treasurer's report- Omar reported that we have a solvent budget and balance sheet. We now have \$118,000 in our reserve account. We are in the process of getting a representative from the new 403b program from CTA to meet with members. He attended the Ethnic Minority Leadership Conference. He will go to the Region 4 Leadership training this weekend.

He wants to push the budget timeline going, that way we can approve the budget in May before the new school/fiscal year.

IV. **Breakout into representative groups**

A. Directors' reports

Kristi Johnson (Elementary K-3 Director) Grade Span Adjustment Stipend for the class size is for 46 total, not consecutive, days in the semester at the max level. K-3 assessment were questioned. Reader by 9. Discussion about the RSA token. ELA/ELD adoption will be two different publishers, 70% must choose one or the other. Training will be given in the summer.

Jennifer DeVries (Elementary 4-6 Director) She attend the Good Teaching Conference, and enjoyed Rick Morris. ELA/ELD committee chose two publishers to pilot next year. McGraw-Hill for 6 weeks and then Benchmark for 6 weeks. The ELLA test was optional. Some schools are choosing th4e other option. There is a 6th grade math online adoption that is being piloted. There is currently nothing for 3-5 grade regarding math.

Monika Openshaw (Intermediate Director) Thank you to Rep Council as she is leaving her position after 4 years. She is working on a summary of the ELA/ELD teams. She attended the CNTA Retired conference and will be giving information to E Board. She went to the last Rick Morris conference. Community Outreach needs help for the Day of the Child event. From breakout: PBIS, CMPL, pay rates, math piloting.

Chris Rodriguez (Secondary Director) 2 school sites involved in bell schedule changes for intervention. Information needs to be disseminated about Special Ed, IEPs.

Betsy Jara (Support Services Director) Continued after school pay issues for IEPs. There are not enough psychologists. Their caseloads are overwhelming. Kids are being transferred without training, updated files, IEPs, being handled in advance. An intake meeting should happen. Support is not there. IEP days at schools may not be enough with just one per month. With caseloads growing this is not enough. Boys Town and progressive discipline are to be teacher based, but without any support.

V. **New Business Items (NBI's)**

A. PAC update and report – Loretta

PAC has been meeting, especially working for school board. New treasurer is Jerry Goar. Any new members to the committee are welcome. They met with the incumbent school board members. They are set to meet with the coalition, CSEA, and city workers. Looking for candidate for Trustee Area 5 as Cathy Sciortino is retiring. The area is south Corona down by Tom's Farm. The committee recommends that we early endorse our incumbents after they have been interviewed. Loretta moved that we early endorse Mary Ybarra and Jose Lalas. Martha Santos seconded. Motion carried. 1 no, 3 abstentions.

B. CNTA Election update – Maria

See email for the election results. There is a run off for the fourth seat to the CTA State Council. Harold thanked all those who ran for office. The election cycle has not been certified until everything is finalized.

C. NEA RA election update – Julie

Reps need to keep track of who voted or confirmation for the breakfast contest, over 50% of staff voting.

Vote tonight with the San G election.

D. Negotiations Update – Kristi

The district opened the contract regarding recess duty at elementary. We are looking at Special Ed and getting new language. Salary and benefits, class size, and PLC are being looked at. Stipends will be looked at also. Hopefully tentative contract at April meeting.

E. Seven signatures in seven days Campaign – Harold

Prop 30 from 2012 will be expiring in 2018 for income tax and this year for the sales tax portion. It brought money to education. We are at 47th in per pupil spending, and we have the largest class sizes in the nation. We get our funding from sales and income tax, not property tax. The petition is for the fall election to get the proposition on the ballot. It would extend Prop 30 for 12 years. Please get the forms filled out this week and sent back to CNTA office. The deadline is March 22. Each signature page has to be by county. Collector fills out the bottom section, signers must fill out their own information. Petition must include the county. Harold will send out the 10 minute meeting notes tomorrow.

F. Site Rep. Awards. – Julie

Recipients: Eula Brown and Angela Thomas.

G. Consortium for Education Change (CEC) – Harold

District training was two weeks ago. They are researching how teacher voice at the district level drives student success. Phase three schools will start next school year. Pomona and Moreno Valley came to CNUSD to learn more about what is going on here.

VI. **Program**

A. CNUSD School Board Trustees: Dr. Jose Lalas and Mary Ybarra

See biography handouts of each. They are running for their seats on the school board.

Jose has filed his candidacy and looks forward to working more with us. He has been on the board for 21 years. His children went through Raney and Corona High. He was a big advocate of collaboration in the district.

Mary was appointed to the board and is running for the seat from Trustee Area 3. She is always advocating for students especially in our district. She is very proud to be a part of the district. Her children went to Vicentia, Raney, and Corona High. Mary has pulled papers for her run at the office.

Point of Personal Privilege: Maria Sarmiento reported that Patty Boggs has passed away. She was a teacher at Centennial for many years. She had been retired.

Loretta moved to close the meeting. Kristi seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:45 P.M.

Our Next Rep. Council meeting is Tuesday, 4/19/16