

CNTA REP. COUNCIL 10 MINUTE MEETING TALKING POINTS 2/17/15

Dear Site Reps.,

Thank you for attending CNTA Rep. Council, February 17th! Here is a brief summary of the items discussed during the meeting. Please feel free to use these talking points during your CNTA time at your next staff meeting.

Special Guests: Reggie Thompkins and Dr. Mike Illic from Student Services presented information about and answered questions about OMC (other means of correction), PBIS, and AB1729. Additional questions were collected from the directors and will be sent to Mr. Thompkins. The District office will be providing upcoming trainings and information on these topics.

Dr. Roger Yoho from Assessment and Accountability presented information about the upcoming Smarter Balance tests. I.T. is working to ensure that the computer labs are ready and working. Dr. Yoho explained that the test and results will be very different from the STAR test we had previously.

President's Report: Harold discussed some upcoming events for members. CEC (Consortium for Educational Change) will be here again next week to provide additional training and gather information. CTA is hosting a common core symposium on Saturday February 21, 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M., at the San Bernardino RRC. All members are welcome to attend. Please call CNTA for additional information if interested. Kiwanis is hosting another Bingo event Saturday, Feb. 21st at Citrus Hills. A seminar on personal finance will be held at the CNTA office on March 18th, from 3:45 to 5:00 P.M. Topics include 403bs, IRAs 529 college funds, and STRS. RSVP at cnta@cntaonline.org if you would like to attend. Refreshments will be served. CNTA will be hosting a spring social at Rodrigo's Thursday, March 19th from 3:00 to 6:00 in the patio area. All members are welcome to attend.

Vice-President's Report: Thanks to all that participated in the bargaining survey. Almost 1000 members provided us with valuable information. Members that requested personal feedback will be receiving a response soon. Thanks also for participating in the principals' survey. The window for that survey will close on Friday, February 20th at 5:00. The voting window for our CNTA local office positions will begin on the 20th as well. Be on the lookout for an email or letter with your voting information. Paper ballots will also be available in the office. If you are receiving dental or health benefits from the district, be sure to complete the insurance audit/verification process being conducted by American Fidelity. CNTA Rep T-shirts are available for pick-up at the office if you didn't get one already at the meeting.

Treasurer's Report: An updated balance sheet and Income/Expenses summary was provided to all Reps.

Directors' Breakouts/Reports: Each group discussed their respective concerns specifically in regard to the Smarter Balance testing and OMC (other means of correction). Concerns about the implementation of OMC and changes to school site discipline policies were shared. Members are asking for training and information. Members also shared their concerns with technology and testing schedules with the upcoming standardized tests.

New Business Maria Macabales closed the nomination window for open local positions. Several races were determined by acclamation. Members can see the candidates for the remaining office on the CNTA website, along with their candidate statements at www.cntaonline.org. Candidates gave a one minute campaign speech. The election will conclude on March 5th, 2015 at 5:00 P.M.

Next Rep. Council meeting is Tuesday 3/17/14 at 4:00 P.M. Please join us for refreshments, raffle prizes, and important updates.