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TO: Building Reps

FR: Dianne GarciaStevens, president and Kathy Schlotz, executive director

RE: COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, February 23 AT 3:30 P.M. LA MERCED INTERMEDIATE LIBRARY



- 1. The **Revenue and Expense Committee** is conducting an **Open Hearing** at Council. Chairperson Lorraine Richards (MHS) will report on the District's financial situation.
- 2. Treasurer Ryan Rice (SHS) will deliver an **update on the Association budget** including comparisons of spending from last year. The 2008-2009 Association audit is complete and accepted by the Executive Committee.
- 3. **Bargaining Chairperson Andy Shinn** (BGI), the Bargaining Team, and the Executive Committee has visited sites through the month of February, and listened to members concerns regarding negotiations. Andy will report on the next steps in the bargaining process.
- 4. One rapid result of negotiations is a tentative agreement on a **Retirement Incentive** designed to offset any need for a Reduction in Force (**RIF** or lay-off). Executive Director Kathy Schlotz will review the status of retirements and the possibility of RIF.
- 5. Organizing Committee Chairperson Cece Ramirez (LMI) will deliver more information regarding *Start the Day for Our Students* Thursday, March 4 Day of Action. Plans to join with the community in protesting the Governor's egregious education budget are coming to together at each site.
- 6. The **CTA State Council of Education** met January 29-31. The representatives will report on the actions taken. Also Marty Meeden, CTA Director will address the Council.
- 7. Do you have **perfect attendance at Council?** Check on montebelloteachers.org. Call Alonso at the MTA office to correct information regarding Council attendance.
- 8. Reminder! **NEA Local Declarations of Candidacy are due Tuesday** and can be turned in at Council.
- Don't forget! Blanche Chester Teacher Advocate Award nominations are due Friday February 26 and can be turned in at Council. Nominate someone you know who has been advocating for members during these critical times.

