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TO: Building Reps

FR: Dianne GarciaStevens, president

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RE: COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY JANUARY 25 AT 3:30 P.M.

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- 1. Governor Brown was inaugurated and proposed a State Budget early this month. The Budget introduction includes the following statement: "The Budget recognizes that the education of California's children is a core function of government. It also recognizes that education has borne a disproportionate share of budget reductions in recent years." The proposed budget was developed on the premise that California voters will approve the continuation of a series of tax increases. The Association will continue to monitor the State Budget proc-
- 2. Member of the Board of Education David Vela plans to briefly visit Council. He was president of the Board in 2010. He plans to discuss some of his projects as President and thoughts about the coming year.
- Elementary Director Alma Orta (SUE) and NEA Director Margie Granado (BAE) have been researching the District's guidelines for the articulation of English Learner (EL) students. The EL Articulation Task Force Co-Chairs will review their work thus far at Council.
- 4. The Insurance Committee has been working to save money in all areas. The MetLife Dental program is transitioning into a self insurance program. There should be no changes to members, yet the insurance pool stands to save substantial amounts of money. The Flexible Spending Plan (FSA) debit cards are scheduled to go out later this month.
- 5. The deadline for voluntary transfer requests is April 15. Those seeking to transfer from one site to another may complete the form and return it to the Human Resource Department. Executive Director Kathy Schlotz will review the voluntary and involuntary transfer procedures.