



Council: October 17, 2017 · 3:30-5 p.m. at the MTA CC

1. Three seats on the Board of Education will be on the November 6, 2018 ballot. Board members Ben Cardenas, Hector Chacon, and Lani Cupchoy will be required to run and win to remain on the Board of Education. **Retiree Miki Moreno is an MTA endorsed candidate for the Board of Education.** She is having a **fund raiser the afternoon of Thursday, October 19.** Campaign Manager Elizabeth Kocharian (BGH) will report on Miki's campaign. More information will be emailed separately regarding the fund raiser. For now: ***Save the Date!***
2. The Calendar Committee sent out a survey in late September. The survey was closed Monday, September 25. A total of 531 members (37 percent) responded to the survey. Members of the Calendar Committee reviewed the input and began to meet with the District Wednesday, September 27. **Chairperson Alma Orta (SUE) will review the progress of calendar negotiations.** The members of the Calendar Committee are: Jessica Zwaal (MAI), Elizabeth Kocharian (BGH), Jaime Quintero (FPA), and Adriana Rodriguez (HS).
3. Executive Director Kathy Schlotz will update the Council on the rehire status of 35 probationary teachers. The Association filed a Petition for Writ of Mandate on April 10, 2017 in Los Angeles Superior Court, and served the District with the Petition on April 11. In this action, the Association asserted that the District failed to comply with the Education Code when it non-reelected probationary teachers for what amounts to financial reasons. In doing so, the District deprived these probationary teachers of their ability to participate in the layoff hearing, and be potentially rehired over a period of 24 months. This past June the Association and the District signed a settlement agreement to rehire teachers according to seniority throughout the next three years. **Six Bargaining Unit members were hired in August. Fourteen more were hired in October.**
4. Open enrollment for health insurance closed October 6. The **Insurance Committee** has worked through the summer to maintain quality health insurance for all Bargaining Unit members. The Committee reduced employee contributions on most plans. Single-party insurance is no cost for all plans. Gloria Cunningham (WIE) and Kim Arvisu (PHE) will report to Council on the next steps for the Committee including flu shot clinics and health and wellness classes.
5. **Do we have a new Superintendent?** The Board of Education announced October 2 that two unnamed finalists were selected. President Doug Patzkowski will deliver up to the moment information on the Board's actions.