

Montebello Teachers Association
Representative Council Meeting
March 18, 2014
MTA Conference Center

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:37 p.m.

B. PRESIDENT'S REPORT-Lorraine Richards

1. Alpine Teachers Association sent a thank you letter recognizing the support they received from MTA.
2. The LCAP Town-Hall meeting was held on March 13 and was a good opportunity for members to provide their input. MTA encourages the submission of the LCAP survey which will be online from March 14 through March 25.
3. Lorraine and Fili Arizmendi have been attending the LCAP MUSD Committee meetings on Mondays.
4. An LCAP timeline has been developed. By June 26, the LCAP will be submitted to the Board of Education for approval.
5. The Calendar Committee will create a survey which will run from April 23 through May 9.
6. The Report Card Committee will work on the report card revisions. The pilot is expected to occur in the fall.
7. On March 22nd, Lorraine will be attending the Honor PAC Empowering Latino & Latina LGBT Communities hosted by Senator Lara and Assemblywoman Ms. Lara as President of the Board of Education David Vela's guest.
8. Lorraine attended the Good Teaching South Pre-Conference with two Board Members, Superintendent of Education Susana Contreras-Smith and Director of Instruction Lourdes Hale.
9. Lorraine introduced the past MTA Presidents in attendance.

C. SEATING OF ALTERNATES

Alternate seated for Liliana Daproza (LME) was Leticia Ornelas.

D. Special Guest-David Vela, MUSD Board of Education President

MUSD Board President David Vela gave a presentation to Council. First, he thanked MTA for helping to elect two new board members and thanked Ms. Orozco for the Common Core Café. He stated that he wants to ensure that all stakeholders have a say on the implementation of the LCAP. He mentioned the implementation of Common Core and STEM. He wants to sponsor the Finance and Performing Arts Pathway. Mr. Vela informed Council that the Board declared there is only one Superintendent: Mr. Cleve Pell.

E. ADOPTION OF AGENDA-ADDITIONS

There were no additions to the agenda

Reports, Discussion, or Actions: Election Report was moved to letter a.

Agenda approved with the changes.

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes were read by Lucia Cruz (JGE), Marie Madsen (MHS), and Erica Remedios (LMI). Motion was made and carried to approve the February 2014 Representative Council minutes.

G. REPORTS, DISCUSSION, OR ACTIONS

a. Elections Report- D. Lebow

Elections Chairperson D. Lebow reported on the results of the elections. The ballots for the State and Local NEA RA Delegates were counted on March 18. The count began at 2:04 and lasted 30 seconds. One hundred and sixty one ballots were cast online displaying a 10.5% membership. There were no invalid votes.

The results were the following:

Lorraine Richards was elected for a two year term.

The following members were elected for a one year term: Kathy Reyes, Ed Guzman, Gabriela Orozco-Gonzalez, Alma Orta, Elvia De La Cruz, Christopher Kakimi, Guillermo Sandoval and Andy Shinn.

Paper ballots have been turned in to Southeastern Service Center Council.

b. Evaluation Pilot-G. Gomez

Gil Gomez reported that after one year of work, the evaluation is complete.

Volunteers will be able to pilot the new evaluation for 2014-2015.

The teacher being evaluated will choose 3 standards. Within each objective, the teacher will choose two strategies from the objectives that they chose. On the front of the sheet is the timeline. The evaluation pilot will be online. After piloting it, the committee will revisit it to see if there are any changes necessary and it will be bargained for in 2015.

c. Bargaining-G. Gomez

Gil presented the members of the MTA Bargaining Team. They are: Gil Gomez (MHS), David Navar (WGE), Alma Orta (SUE), Larry McKiernan (SUI) and Paul Chavez (SHS).

Both MUSD and MTA will open up one article. MTA will open up an article according to the results from the Bargaining Survey. Gil reminded Council that the survey will be online until April 4 and encouraged the members to provide their input. The Bargaining Team members can be contacted individually for further questions.

d. WHO Award-L. Richards

Gabriela Orozco Gonzalez has been named this year's CTA WHO Award recipient by the MTA Executive Committee. Gabriela is a second grade teacher at (MGE). She was one of 24 teachers accepted into the CTA's Leadership Cohort. She developed the Common Core Café that also encompasses her blog. Gabriela is also a NEA Teacher Ambassador and a Common Core State Standards Assessment Writer and Reviewer at McGraw CTB and Smarter Balanced. She will be honored at the CTA Southeastern Service Center WHO Award Dinner on June 4. Anyone wishing to attend can contact Lorraine.

e. YMCA Healthy Kids April 26-L. Richards

The Montebello Commerce YMCA will host the YMCA Healthy Kids Day & Grand Opening of New Construction. Part of MTA's community relations and CTA's

Strategic Plan is to establish community involvement. We support the YMCA since they service the families and the children of MUSD. Anyone wishing to volunteer can contact the MTA office.

On June 3rd, there will be an MUSD Employee YMCA Open House. Certificated, classified employees and administrators will be meeting with the YMCA later this month to organize it.

f. Site Specific Waivers (Banking Minutes MOUs)-K. Schlotz

Kathy Schlotz presented an overview of Site Specific Waivers. She encouraged the sites to start the discussion if they feel they need to submit requests. The form can be downloaded from the MTA website and is due April 25.

H. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Nominations for MTA Exec Committee and State Council will close April 22.

Eligible members may be nominated in one of three ways:

- (1) complete the petition posted on montebelloteachers.org
- (2) nomination on the floor of council
- (3) via the nominating committee.

The nominating committee can be contacted through the MTA office. The members of the nominating Committee are Rey Vogel (MHS), Donna Drayman (EAI) and Lisa Navarro-Gutierrez (BGE).

The MTA Bylaws have more information regarding the offices and are available on the montebelloteachers.org website.

- b. Blanche Chester Testimonials due April 4.

Testimonials can be completed online.

- c. Bargaining Surveys due April 4.

- d. LCAP Input due March 25.

- e. MTA Office Closed April 14-18.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 4:31 p.m.

Submitted by

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Alma Orta, Secretary

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