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January 19, 2010

TO: Building Reps

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

RE: COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY,
JANUARY 26, 2010
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1. The New Year begins with more traumatic budget news. **The Board of Education continues to consider cuts for the 2010-2011** school year. Kindergarten through third grade class size reduction may be completely discontinued. With the elimination of cuts and services, the Board is also considering a Reduction in Force (RIF or lay-off.) The seniority list has been posted. The first true step in a layoff or **RIF** is letters to Bargaining Unit members no later than March 15. At this time CTA anticipates that most districts in California will send some RIF notices. President Dianne GarciaStevens will report on the District's proposed budget cuts from the January 21 meeting, and Executive Director Kathy Schlotz will report on the District plans and the process.
2. **Bargaining Chairperson Andy Shinn (BGI) will name the 2010 negotiations team.** The Council will be asked to approve the new team. The current contract's term ends this June. The District has requested that negotiations begin as soon as possible.
3. **Contracts are available at the MTA office.** If anyone at your site would like a 2007-2010 contract, contact the MTA office. We can bring contracts to the Council meeting if requested in advance. You can email your request to Montebello_teachers@earthlink.net.
4. The **CalPERS insurance program is now fully implemented.** Vice President Julian De La Torre (EAI) will report on current insurance situation.
5. Elementary Directors Alma Orta (SUE) and Sal Salas (CCE) have been working with the **Instructional Division regarding the overwhelming amounts of testing** being required by the District. The directors will report on the progress.

