

**Montebello Teachers Association**  
Representative Council Meeting  
January 24, 2012

**CALL TO ORDER**

January's Rep Council meeting was called to order at 3:45pm.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

1. Julian shared that this is a historical day that the 920 W. Whittier Blvd. property is being used for a rep council meeting. It will be called Montebello Teachers Association Conference Center (MTA-CC). We are hoping to have MUSD lease the space as a place for their meetings and/or use the space in the rear of the building for office space. Since they have already begun to use the facility, they like the convenience and ease of the location in relation to DO. We will be sure that the facility remains free for our Tuesday council meetings.
2. He shared the passing of Board of Education Member, Marcella Calderon. He also continued to explain that there is a seat open for the Board of Education. There can be an election, but it can be costly for the district. There is an option for the board to appoint a person for the vacancy, which seems to be the board's current decision. No specific names have been shared publicly.
3. He encouraged the members to follow the current national issues, "we are the 99%", State of the Union, and Wisconsin's recall of the governor. Julian reported the initiative on the ballot regarding the pay roll deception act will be seen in November and there will be a need to educate members and the public regarding the details of the initiative. Julian referred to it as a union buster piece. There is also the tax increase initiative on the ballot too.
4. Retirement incentive update, 107 bargaining members and 10 administrators (5 principals) will be retiring this year. Julian also noted that there is a unique change of climate with the upcoming changes of personnel at MUSD.
5. The closure of LNE is being discussed by the school board.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Agenda was adopted as presented.

**REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, OR ACTION**

1. Faculty Club Moment - L. Camacho  
Linda went over the faculty club survey that MTA would like Faculty Club chairs to complete with their sites. The executive board would like to know if there are any requests of topics for future presentations.
2. Bargaining Team Update – A. Shinn  
Andy shared with council that negotiations are around the corner. He has asked anyone that is interested to be on the team to submit their name. Andy would like a rationale on why one would like to be on the team. He asked that interested parties send him an email to his district email account. He clarified that the meetings are

during the board day. There are a few pieces for the negotiations: wages and one additional article for each side. He also offered to visit sites with further explanations regarding negotiations.

**3. Calendar Committee – L. Richards & A. Orta**

The committee met with Art Revueltas, Deputy Superintendent Friday, January 20, 2012 to begin the discussion regarding the 2012-13 and 2013-2014 calendars. They shared two options for the Traditional (Comprehensive High School) Calendar Survey and two for the Modified Traditional (K - 8) Calendar Survey for the two school years 2012-2014. They also shared the timeline for the survey, it will close February 5th and the information will be compiled and prepared for discussion during the executive board meeting on February 7th. A recommendation will be made to council from the executive board at the February 28, 2012 council meeting.

**4. YMCA Campaign – L. Sherman**


Lovey shared the Montebello Commerce Family YMCA has partnered up with the district during sustaining campaign. The YMCA will be placing at each site a donation drop container for the faculty lounge where staff can make a donation towards the sustaining campaign for the local YMCA.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- a. Blanche Chester Teacher Advocate Nominations due February 24, 2012.
- b. School Loop Concerns can be directed to Gil Gomez via email. He will be meeting with DO regarding the concerns.
- c. Julian reminded council about NEA RA Declarations of Candidacy. He encouraged the executive board to consider attending NEA in Washington DC, each person would need to declare candidacy for the assembly position.

**ADJOURNMENT** - meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Submitted by

  
Lorraine Richards, Secretary

