

Montebello Teachers Association
Representative Council Meeting and New Member Dinner
December 16, 2014
Tamayo Restaurant, Los Angeles, CA

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:55 p.m.

B. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. The installation and reorganization of board members occurred on December 4, 2014.
2. MTA continues to work with MUSD on the World Studies program. All stakeholders will be invited to the MUSD Boardroom in January 2015. Lorraine encouraged all teachers to attend. She is available if there are any questions.
3. Superintendent Cleve Pell attended an ILC virtual meeting at the MTA office.
4. SESSC had an Ethnic Minority Reception at the Rio Hondo Conference Center on December 10, 2014. MTA was represented by a large group of teachers from BAE.
5. Lorraine continues to do school site visits and meet and greet sessions.
6. As part of the California Career Pathway Trust, MUSD and ELAC have been working collaboratively developing a work plan and creating a partnership.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes were read by Chris Low (MOI), Ed Guzman (MOI) and Tony Richards (MHS). Motion was made and carried to approve the November 2014 Representative Council minutes.

D. SEATING OF ALTERNATES

No alternates were seated.

E. REVENUE AND EXPENSE OPEN HEARING - F. Arizmendi

The Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) was approved and the committee continues to meet monthly. The 2013/14 unaudited Actual Report states that the budget was in surplus to actuals, a difference of less than 1%. At a special School Board meeting on 10/09/14, the board concerns were focused on expenditures for future STRS retirement obligations, special education transportation costs and declining enrollment. The district has been awarded 21 grants and most notable is a Pathways Grant with ELAC for 6 million dollars over 3 years. A property management company has been contracted to analyze Laguna Nueva School. There is potential revenue for possible billboard installation at Rosewood Park School. Enrollment projections for 2016 show a continued decline. Report Card Committee continues to meet. MUSD saved \$1.2 M in 2013/14 in energy conservation. A facilities update was given for completed projects that occurred at Joseph Gascon Elementary, Wilcox Elementary, and La Merced Elementary.

F. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Under Announcements

Adult School Fundraiser letter c.

Agenda approved with the change.

G. REPORTS, DISCUSSION, OR ACTIONS

a. Introduction of Reps, New Members, Guests - L. Richards

Lorraine introduced the 2014-2015 MTA Executive Board and introduced the past MTA Presidents. MUSD Board Members present were introduced. Lorraine recognized the new teachers of MUSD that were present at the event.

b. Instructional Leadership Cadre - G. Orozco-Gonzalez, A. Paz, & D. Keys

Two new members: Angelica Paz (LMI) and David Keyes (MHS) have joined the Instructional Leadership Corps (ILC) and will be part of the Common Core Café team. The first Common Core Café Workshop on Formative Assessment was December 9. The next Workshop on Close Reading is February 11.

c. Parent University - D. Estrada & G. Orozco-Gonzalez

An overview of Parent University was provided. It is set up as Common Core for Parents as a way to provide strategies and support to parents with the Common Core State Standards.

d. Unconscious Bias Training - C. Nishikawa-Alanis & L. Rego

Colleen (BAE) and Libby (MHS) provided an overview of the Unconscious Bias Training that will take place on February 26. Flyers were distributed.

e. Introduction of Vendors - L. Richards

Lorraine introduced all participating vendors and the vendors announced the winners of their prizes.

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H. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Office Closed December 22-January 9
- b. MTA 75th Anniversary-Friday, February 20 at the MTA CC from 3:30-7:30 p.m.
- c. Adult School Fundraiser-I. Navarro (Adult Ed.)

I. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:41 p.m.

Submitted by

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