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Council met for the first time at the Montebello Teachers Association Conference Center (MTA CC) Tuesday, January 24. The MTA CC is located at 920 Whittier Blvd. adjacent to the MTA Office. Council has found a new home! Everyone present for the beginning of the first historic meeting is pictured above.

Catastrophic Leave Bank Annual Report

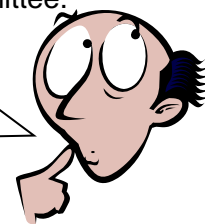
The Catastrophic Leave Bank (CLB) is available to all certificated employees of the District. Bargaining Unit members may donate a minimum of one day per year to be eligible for withdrawal. A *catastrophic illness or injury* is defined as a condition that is expected to incapacitate the employee for an extended period of time and create a financial hardship. Days can only be withdrawn from the CLB following the exhaustion of all of one's illness leave and difference pay. The CLB Committee approves 20 days per request for a maximum of 60 days.

At this time there are 1732 days in the CLB. This year 195 members donated a total of 196 days. Donations were due no later than November 1. The total number of days that can be withdrawn in one year is 220. More information is available at montbelloteachers.org under the *Contract* button.

Revenue & Expense Open Hearing Is Tuesday, February 28

The Revenue and Expense Committee will present at the next Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 28 at the MTA CC. Members are encouraged to bring questions and concerns regarding the State and District budgets. Chairperson Lorraine Richards (MHS) will conduct the Open Hearing and bring concerns back to the Committee.

Calendar Surveys are due online at montbelloteachers.org Sunday, February 5.



Sink Yourself Into a Good Book - Read Across America is March 2

Read across America is a national day celebrating reading. Read Across America is sponsored by the National Education Association and the California Teachers Association. The 2012 theme is "Sink Yourself Into A Good Book".



And will be observed Friday, March 2. More information and resources are available to educators, families, and community partners at cta.org.