



Julian De La Torre
President

Gilbert Gomez
Vice President

Secretary
Lorraine Richards

Guillermo Sandoval
Treasurer

Alma Orta
Elementary Director

Sal Salas
Elementary Director

Linda Camacho
Intermediate Director

High School Director
Laura Sanchez

Sandra Morales
Support Staff Director

Irma Navarro
Adult Education Director

Dianne Garcia Stevens
Immediate Past President

Kathy Schlotz
Executive Director

February 21, 2012

TO: Building Reps

FR: Julian De La Torre, president & Kathy Schlotz, executive director

RE: COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28 3:30 p.m.
MTA CC - 920 W. Whittier Blvd.

1. The **Paycheck Deception Initiative** is on the November ballot. The initiative goes straight at a union's ability to give their members a voice in politics. It prohibits any contributions collected via payroll deduction to ballot measures or candidates. President Julian De La Torre will review the plans to defeat this initiative.
2. The **Revenue and Expense Committee** will hold an open hearing at Council. All Bargaining Unit members are welcome.
3. Treasurer Guillermo Sandoval (MHS) will report to the Council on the **MTA budget**.
4. Bargaining Chairperson Andy Shinn (BGI) will report on the **bargaining** team and negotiations timeline.
5. The **Calendar Committee** shared the results of the survey with the Executive Committee. Based on the input, the Executive Committee is recommending **Traditional Modified 2 and Traditional 2** to the Council. Both calendars are the same and available on montbelloteachers.org. Paper copies will not be distributed at Council.
6. The **Trust Fund** Committee monitors the financials for our retiree supplemental health plan. When retiree reach age 67, the District stops contributing toward health insurance. Also, at age 67, the MTA Trust Fund begins to pay for **retirees' health care**. Active members currently contribute \$100 per month to the Trust Fund. The Executive Committee recommends increasing the amount to \$125 per month, 10 months per year for a total of \$1250 per year beginning in the 2012-2013 school year.
7. NEA RA Election is in March. The Elections Committee will offer **suggestions for making the most successful election possible at your site**.
8. Speaking of elections, the Executive Committee is exploring the idea of **electronic balloting** rather than paper ballots. Based on input from members for the past few years, the Association is in conversations with CTA with the expectation of being allowed to begin electronic voting. The Internal Concerns Committee has recommended for altering the Bylaws and adding Elections Standing Rules to meet CTA's criteria for electronic voting. The entire membership must approve any Bylaw change, the Council can approve Elections Standing Rules. The proposed rules are available for review on montbelloteachers.org.
9. Phil Rodriguez (BGH) attended the CTA Issues Conference in Las Vegas this past January. He will give a **report on the workshops**.
10. The Council will approve a **Nominating Committee** in preparation for the MTA elections in May.
11. The Eastmont Intermediate School Faculty Club has been working hard to advocate for members at the site. Jorge Ramirez and Marco Guillen will present the **Faculty Club Moment**.
12. **CTA State Council** of Education met January 27-29. The Delegates will report on the proceedings.
13. Los Angeles Unified School District may discontinue **Adult Education** next year. Adult Education Director Irma Navarro has petitions to encourage the continuation of the program.
14. The **American Association of University Women (AAUW)** offers scholarships to out students. Retiree Jackie Fisher will talk about the program and ask for contributions.



Remember to bring the YMCA Coin Can to Council!