

**MONTEBELLO TEACHERS ASSOCIATION**  
Representative Council Meeting  
September 20, 2011

**CALL TO ORDER**

September's Rep Council meeting was called to order at 3:39 p.m.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Julian De La Torre**

1. Julian greeted rep council and informed members about site visits QEIA schools. With ideal conditions in class size and teacher student we can have success.
2. At superintendent's meeting process of selection of principals was discussed. Any questions concerning administration at site can be forwarded to Julian.
3. A topic that is of great concern is Parent Revolution. Julian has met with sites concerning this issue.
4. October 1 is official filing for class size.
5. Members can inquire with Julian if interested in CTA conferences.
6. Alonso Ibanez was recognized at council for 10 years of service.

**SEATING OF ALTERNATES**

Alternates attending council were Ryan Rice (ATC), and Donna Drayman (EAI)

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Agenda was adopted as written.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes were approved by Wendy Ibanez (BVE), Doliana Fernandez (GAE), and Maria Balderas (SUE).

**REPORTS, DISCUSSION OR ACTION**

1. NEA RA Report – J. De La Torre

Margie Granado- Margie reported that while attending Congressional Hispanic Caucus she met Barack and first lady Michelle Obama. Congress is going to take ESEA reauthorization and break it in to little pieces to make it more flexible, Senate is busy trying to draw-out their own plan.

Julian- He shared that NEA RA endorsements did not come easy.

RA delegates: Alma Orta, Kathy Reyes and Brian Stevens shared RA information.

2. Call for Elections Committee-J. De La Torre

Julian announced that elections committee positions are available. Members that are interested can contact Julian.

3. Retirement Incentive-K. Schlotz

Kathy passed out information regarding retirement incentive. Two meetings have been set up. First is on September 29<sup>th</sup> at MOI at 3:30. The second one will be on October 3<sup>rd</sup> at SUI at 3:30 in the library.

Qualifying members will be given individualized packets at meetings. Packets

that are not picked up at meetings will be mailed home after meetings take place. You have until March 15<sup>th</sup> to turn in resignation letter but incentive will be reduced.

4. Fall Leadership Conference October 15-16-K. Schlotz  
Conference is in Santa Clarita. The theme is "Saddle Up". Topics to be discussed at conference are tax fairness, insurance, special education and basic unionism.
5. Highlight on Faculty Club-K. Schlotz, L. Camacho  
Feedback forms for faculty club can be found online under heading "forms" and can be used at local faculty clubs. Faculty clubs will be a topic at Fall Leadership. Linda shared positive actions of faculty clubs, an example was consistent monthly minutes. Members can share positive things from respective faculty clubs with Linda via email.
6. Board of Education Endorsements-G. Gomez, L. Camacho  
Gil and Linda shared goals of David Vela and Marcela Calderon. There will be no election since there are two open seats and only two candidates. They seek endorsement and funding.  
David Vela's goals: Focus on superintendent search, special education department, class size reduction, and access to higher education.  
Marcela Calderon's goals: Focus on superintendent search, physical soundness of district office, director of special education and, if money is available, teacher compensation.  
Members discussed topic.  
Majority of council voted not to endorse David Vela and Marcela Calderon for Montebello Board of Education.
7. Insurance Open Enrollment-G. Gomez  
Gil reported that September 12<sup>th</sup> Contact shows new rates. Every medical insurance program got a raise in premiums. Most were no more than 2%. Kaiser had highest increase. This year's insurance pool covered raises. Next year, unless there is a COLA, it may not happen.  
Members can check the MTA website under Metlife link to verify if dentist is in network. Out of network dentists cost are more expensive.  
Medical insurance forum dates were announced.  
There will be a change starting January 1 in CalPERS pharmacy to CVS Caremark.
8. Election Report-E. De La Cruz-Lopez  
All boxes that were turned in were valid. 11 schools did not turn in boxes.  
Election Results:  
Secretary: Lorraine Richards- 430 votes  
High School Director: Laura Sanchez- 244 votes  
Carmen Patlan- 221 votes
9. Nomination for Andy Shin-J. De La Torre  
Council unanimously approved Andy Shinn for Bargaining Team chair.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. PTA memberships
2. PTA War on Hunger
3. DIASTAT bill has passed Senate and is sitting on Governor's desk. Support is needed.
4. Ben Chavez (LMI) won gift basket this meeting.

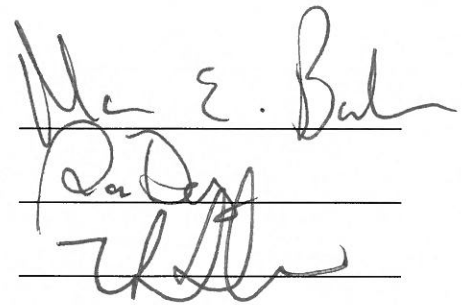
## ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

Submitted by,



Guillermo Sandoval



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