

MONTEBELLO TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Rep Council Meeting
MTA Conference Center
October 15, 2013

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:41 p.m.

B. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Southeastern Service Center Council President's Release Day – talked about concerns regarding various topics including the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), School Board Elections, Issues at sites and changes in education law. Dianne Ravitch gave a talk at Occidental College and Cal State Northridge. She started with No Child Left Behind (NCLB) and then shifted to speaking against testing. She promoted her book, "Reign of Terror" and her website and blog. President Lorraine visited Fremont and Garfield and plans to visit Wilcox soon. Six weeks into the school year, much has happened: Open Enrollment for Health Insurance has come and gone, Bargaining ended and a Ratification Election is taking place and we are in the middle of a School Board election.

President Lorraine and Kathy met with the Superintendents at their regular Superintendents meeting.

President Lorraine asked Council members to talk to new teachers at their sits to remind them about the New Teacher Orientation taking place on October 21 and to invite them to the MTA New Teacher and Holiday Council Dinner taking place in December.

She reminded Council that CTA Incentive Grant applications are due Nov. 10 and that CTA is putting on a Valuing Unionism Workshop in Santa Fe Springs.

C. SEATING OF ALTERNATES

No Alternates were present at this meeting

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

c. # of copies added to agenda

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes read and approved by Colleen Nishikawa-Alanis (BAE), Sandra Day (BGI) and Janette Machado (MHS)

F. REPORTS, DISCUSSION OR ACTIONS

1. Nominations Committee – R. Vogel

Alma Orta nominated for the vacant MTA Secretary position. No other nominations were received.

Motion was made to suspend the rules and elect Alma Orta by acclamation.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. **Political Action and Phone Banking – E. Guzman**
We are three weeks from Election Day. GOTV on November 2 is a very important event. He reminded everyone that signs up for phone banking to please honor their commitments. He also reminded people to call their friends and family and tell them to vote and to mail in their absentee ballots. President Lorraine Richards announced the top 10 callers so far.
3. **# of Copies – K. Arriola**
Kathy Arriola (WAE) announced that she is limited by her administrator to a mere 200 copies per month. Discussion ensued about how best to deal with that situation.
4. **Elections Report – M. Inouye**
The results of the Ratification election and CTA State Council Run Off Election were announced.

CTA State Council Representative (Three Year Term)
Ed Guzman 402 Votes (Elected)
Maria Balderas 300 Votes (Alternate)

Contract Ratification
YES 754 Votes (Ratified)
NO 29 Votes

G. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. MTA Fall Leadership Conference, October 19-20 in Santa Clarita
2. GOTV Event – Saturday, November 2, 2013 at 9:00AM at the MTA Office
3. Read Across America Calendars available at the end of the meeting
4. Raffle Winner –
Kathy Mott (SUI) won a Camino FCU gift card

F. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was recessed at 4:20 p.m. while awaiting the election results.
Meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

Submitted by

Guillermo Sandoval, Treasurer

