

RANCHO SANTIAGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

CSEA CHAPTER 579

April 16, 2013 - MINUTES

unapproved

CALL TO ORDER

In Sean Small's absence, Victoria Williams called the meeting to order at 12:04pm at Santiago Canyon College (SCC), Room SC-111, 21 members present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

EJ Bagdonas led the pledge.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The chapter minutes for March, 2013 were motioned for approval by Tom Andrews, seconded by Zina Edwards and carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Tom Andrews handed out Site Representative training flyers to the membership. This three hour training will be held on April 25th at the Orange Field and April 29th in Irvine from 5:00p – 8:00p. Anyone interested must call the Orange Field Office to reserve a seat. Dinner will be served at the training.
- Barbara Garrahy had questions about the Treasurer's Report. What is the money used for? She commented by saying "I know a portion goes to pay for conference, but what else are the funds used for?" Tom explained 6 members from this chapter are allowed to attend conference. Funds are used toward the Classified School Employee Week in May and the Dorothy Bjork Humanitarian Assistance. The monthly due allocation is split between the Association and this chapter. Each member pays \$1.20 monthly or \$12.00 annually to chapter 579. The balance of the monthly dues is sent to the Association in San Jose.
- Guillermo Santucci informed chapter members that CalPers Representative Michael Bilbrey is seeking re-election and the Orange Field Office is collecting petition signatures from each chapter.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

- The Leadership Institute Training held Saturday, April 13th was attended by four chapter members. Victoria Williams commented on the Union Plus benefits given to each member, besides discounts to amusement parks, movies and hotels. There are a lot more services available to the members. Zina Edwards shared remarks from Victory Club reminding members the importance to contribute to political actions that support CSEA. Tom shared excerpts from *CSEA Wrote the Book* which explains what CSEA has done for members. Lithia Williams reported on SB590 a bill for Professional Development was moving into apportionment. Even though this district provides professional development, if our district denies funding of our request, there are funds available with this bill.

TREASURE'S REPORT

- Esmeralda Abejar reported March beginning balance was \$11,709.69, ending balance as of March 31st was \$12,233.09. The treasure's report was motioned for approval by Tom Andrews, seconded by Victoria Williams and carried unanimously.

RECOGNITION OF NEW MEMBERS

- Abel Arredondo, SAC, Union Steward & Sandy Arredondo, SAC, Union Steward

REPORT OF BARGAINING COMMITTEE

- Zina asked about the survey process. What came out of recommendations from membership? The committee matched recommendations to articles and added them to the contract proposal. EJ wanted to know the specifics changes of the articles presented in the proposal. He also wanted to know why the specifics were not written in the proposal. Guillermo explained this is standard procedure when drafting a contract proposal. A question was asked about updates to the negotiations. Plans to keep membership informed of negotiations are developing. President Sean Small or CPRO Denise Phillips will send out correspondences to the members. Zina remarked this e-board appears to be more transparent. Denise reiterated the president's motto this term was a "Year of Involvement".
- Barbara asked about budget. Guillermo responded that budget estimates will not be available 6/1 after the governor's May revise. The Board of Trustees has a 5% reserve that is restricted and the funds can't be touched.
- There were questions raised on Article 12- time off at Christmas, Article 14-lunch break.
- Victoria Williams moved to motion CSEA 579 Negotiations Proposal ; Tom Andrews seconded, carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS OVERSIGHT & DISTRICT SAFETY

- Nothing at this time

EERC

- Thursday, April 18th, will discuss MOU summer schedule. Recommendations to use Personal Necessity will be presented. Guillermo vetted suggestion through Orange Field Office and there are no legalities to prevent usage. Policy 610 must be adhered if recommendation is accepted by District.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

- No grievances at this time.

JOINT BENEFITS

- Joint Benefit meeting scheduled this afternoon on April 16th at district.

SHARED GOVERNANCE

- SCC College Council needs classified representation on their PIE(Planning Implementation Efficiency) Committee.
- Lynn Elzea, SCC; Abel Arredondo, SAC and Dolly Paguirigan, DO are interested in becoming Site Reps at their respective locations.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Nothing at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

- Zina Edwards was nominated as an alternate for CSEA Conference.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Nothing at this time

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1:04pm. Next Chapter meeting is scheduled Tuesday, May 21th at Centennial Education Center.