

San Mateo Elementary Teachers' Association

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

September 7, 2011

MINUTES

Call to Order 4:05 pm

Minutes: 05/25/2011- approved as written

Treasurer's Reports: No report

Correspondence: A thank you from the Ed Foundation, as well as information from CTA

President's Report

- Introductions
- Mtgs. With Dr. Simms, Dr. Lewis, and Molly Barton
- Bd. Mtg. Updates

Announcements: Note change in location of 9/28 Executive Board meeting to the RRC in Foster City

- Sept.** 08 - School Board Meeting (7:00 p.m. @ District Office)
14 - Governing Council (4:00 p.m. @ RRC)
28 - Executive Board Meeting (4:00 p.m. @ RRC); Special Gov. Council @ 4:15 p.m.
- Oct.** 05 - Governing Council (4:00 p.m. @ RRC)
06 - School Board Meeting (7:00 p.m. @ District Office)
20 - School Board Meeting (7:00 p.m. @ District Office)
31 - Professional Development Day

I. Reports

1.1 President's Report -- See side bar

- Janet shared information about meetings with Dr. Simms and Dr. Lewis- first impressions seem amicable. There is a delay in getting a hard copy of the contract to SMETA, possibly until October. Janet met with Molly Barton to discuss the large class sizes this year. The district has 10 days into the school year to place all students (high numbers in 4th, 5th, and 2nd). Appendix G in the contract states options to compensate individual teachers for high numbers of students. 5 or 6 requests have been approved already. M. Barton indicated that without Measure A funds, more classes would see higher numbers. Speech and Language Pathologists had been moved to different sites on the second day of school. There are currently two contracted special education consultants, but there is no official Director of Special Ed Services.

1.2 Executive Director's Report – Halimah

- A handout regarding SLP Assignment Changes was read.

1.3 Bargaining

1.3.1 Executive Board approved the new Bargaining Team Slate of Kellyann Devoy, Carolyn Franco, Julee Flores, and Barbara Riley. Slate will go to Governing Council for approval.

1.3.2 Class Size issues (Appendix G) & Survey

- GC reps will be presented with survey to collect information on class sizes throughout district. Information will include Teacher Name, Grade, and Class size as of 9/14. Middle school information will ask for Teacher Name, Subject Taught, and Contact numbers.

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1.3.3 New Calendar Option

- C. Rauch presented the calendar options for the 2012-2013 school year. EB approved submitting options to Governing Council Reps for approval.

1.4 Organizing – Janice/Karen

- The Organizing Team asked for some direction from EB on ideas/events for the upcoming year.

1.5 State Council Report – Carole/Christy

- No report

1.6 Political Action Committee – Christy

- Two School Board Member seats will be up for election this year. Candidates: Audrey Ng, Fell Amistad, and Colleen Sullivan. Christy shared information on a proposed by-law addressing the already established PAC process for endorsements and the allocation of funds. She presented a timeline for the endorsement process which will be presented to GC reps at a specially convened meeting of the GC at the regularly scheduled EB meeting on 9/28. Candidates will be given a cover letter with possible discussion topics attached prior to any scheduled interviews. EB discussed possible questions. EB approved the Proposed By-Law language. SMETA endorsements, if approved, will focus on targeted post cards, which have been successful in the past and easy to implement given the tight timeline, as well as car signs, and “tell 5” for members.

1.7 SCOPE – Carole

- No report

1.8 Communications –

- Carrie Attell, new Communications Chair, will work to find a social networking approach that will allow SMETA members another means of communication.

1.9 Professional Development Team

1.9.1 Janet met with Superintendent on 8/24, thinking meeting was about district Wide Professional Development Day. It actually turned out to be a meeting regarding the formation

Of Labor Management Task Force. SMETA members will be: Christy Rauch, Susan Wright, Halimah Mekki, and Janet Chappell. A meeting has been scheduled with district representatives for Sept. 21.

1.9.2 Regarding the district wide Professional Development day in February, SMETA team members will be Rebekah Lubrano, Jim Remington, and one other member.

1.10 Curriculum & Instruction –
- No report

1.11 Grievance – Susan Wright

- Sue wants to get a hold of school schedules, and other scheduling conflicts so she can set a meeting with the Grievance Team. She wants to begin with educating the grievance reps as to what is a real grievance and needs to be moved forward.

1.12 Social – Carole

- The Social was under budget! Total spent was \$4,263.00. We had more attendees than last year. Thursday, May 24th and Friday, June 1st were discussed as possible dates.

II. Old Business

2.1 Summer Warriors

- Carole and Christy went back to Sacramento, for an event aligned with the National Rally in D.C.

2.2 Foster City Bond Measure

- The bond measure to raise funds for the construction of a new school was tabled.

III. New Business

3.1 Transitional Kindergarten Work Force

- Carole Delgado and Beth Marsh are starting to work on this.

3.2 2011-2012 Voluntary Contribution Change Form

-Tabled until the next meeting

3.3 CTSP

-EB advised Janet that the new CTSPs could not be used without having been included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement language. SMETA would want to know that all principals had been trained in the administration of the new evaluation standards. At the very least, SMETA would require an MOU covering the new standards prior to implementation.

IV. Adjournment 6:02 pm