

The meeting was called to order at 3:33 p.m. by Julie Ames

1. Secretary Roll Call- Chris Off called the roll and a voting quorum was established. 13/18 rep. council and executive board members were in attendance. These included: **Mary Burton, Tom Rotunno, Diana Freeman, Nancy Hollenbeck, Mary Jane Roberts, Allison Carey, Ruth Ramirez, Dinah Ismail, and Martin Juarez, along with exec. Board members Julie Ames, Marcia Garten, Loren Myhill and Chris Off. Absent/excused members included: Sonia Torres, Mike Rainis, Maria Martinez, Michael Kashdan and Beth Orlik.** Please bring new members to the next meeting to be determined in September 2016 to get a gift card for the first time attendee member and yourself! Members were provided a raffle ticket upon entering the meeting and Mary Burton won the \$15.00 raffle gift card at the end.

2. Approve Minutes- Copies of the minutes from the May 9th, 2016 meeting were available for review and the minutes were approved as presented with corrections that had been sent in by the members.

3. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Marcia Garten made available the monthly Treasurer's report. Marcia welcomes anyone to look at the financial books if they have questions at any time. A question was raised re: the best place to put our dollars for maximum return and since the treasurer is switching to Liz Wilson for 2016-2018, this may be something that will be looked at in the future. The report was approved **unanimously**.

4. Vice President Report: Vice President Loren Myhill stated we have 327 bargaining unit members based on the OCDE payroll roster –this includes fee payers.

5. President's Report: President Julie Ames asked for anyone with committee interest to please email her. The current committees are listed on the website and a list was passed around for members at the meeting to make adjustments as wanting to change committees or remain on them. The Safety committee is a new one being added. Julie recommends Chris Off for election committee chair for next year starting July 1st, 2016. There may be elections needed over the summer for votes on ratification of the contract, and/or By Laws/Standing Rules. A special meeting may be called to handle these. We would be using paper ballots not electronic. The By/Laws and Standing Rules committee has met again and will print a copy by mid-July for the rep council with changes in italics to review. A second draft has to be submitted to CTA.

President Julie Ames updated on the CTA State Council election results for alternate. Tera Fowler from one of the districts connected to our region won as alternate. Julie stated that the next elections for State Council will be April 2017.

A discussion ensued regarding the issue of itinerants and if this is an area that can be looked at in negotiations. The 18 itinerants are not being implemented the way the contract language was designed. The bargaining team will take this into consideration.

6. Committee Reports:

a) ADA Committee—nothing to report at his time. The meeting has been cancelled and never rescheduled per Loren. The reports should come out every month.

b) By Laws Committee—up at CTA being reviewed for approval. Standing Rules—in review.

c) Calendar Committee—Calendars are approved for 2016-2017. Nothing to report.

d) Election Committee – nothing to report at this time.

e) Grievance Committee— per Loren Myhill a Site/liaison grievance started Sept 1, 2015 with a pan approval for a counselor to be approved for site liaison. Is this a contract violation? There was advisory arbitration however CTA did not provide an attorney as was expected by OCSEA. We are awaiting an advisory decision within a week or so. We may need to write detailed contract language in the future to clarify.

f) Health Benefits Review Committee—Mary Jane Roberts reported out some interesting data. Insurance companies want to ideally have a 70% loss ratio with a 30% profit. Loren stated that we are at overall 80-90% loss ratio and try to get at between 70-80%. OCDE pays ~ \$700 per month for our health benefits. Mary Jane reports that a 7.9% increase in benefit costs came in which equates to ~ .5% to 1% increase to the salary schedule. This is the same as last year. Please contact Mary Jane Roberts or Loren Myhill for more detailed information as there were many good questions about our health benefits asked.

g) Internet/Blog Committee—nothing to report. This committee may be taken off due to lack

of interest.

h) Membership committee- Thanks to members for providing current addresses to Loren Myhill and Chris Off. Please continue to send them in and we would be happy to change them. With upcoming elections, it is important for us to have a current address with CTA as this is how we generate the mailing labels. The blue polo shirts have been well received and if you did not receive one, please contact Chris Off or Ruth Ramirez and we will get one out as we ordered extras.

i) Political Action Committee (PAC) –Marcia Garten reviewed that there was an election for Area 1, 3 and 4 for the Board of Education and all the incumbents were reelected. Congratulation to Area 4 trustee Jack Bedell. The PAC committee had wanted to send out a press release but is still working through the bugs of a first time PAC committee and this did not happen. On June 22nd the Board of Education meets and we are looking for a teacher representative any time to meet and ask for time to talk about the valuable job our OCSEA teachers perform in the county.

j) Retirement- Allison Carey will be sending out retirement pins/cards to those who have announced their retirements to thank them for their dedicated work. Julie Ames will get their names to her.

k) Social Committee- The next OSCEA Happy Hour will be at BJ's in Huntington Beach on June 14th at 3:30-hosted by Tom Rotunno. A flyer has been sent out. Please come and meet your fellow members in a fun, informal environment. Bring any questions you might have for your rep council representatives.

l) Special Ed Committee-nothing to report at this time.

7. CONFERENCE SCHEDULE SIGN UPS

Summer Institute: August 1-4, 2016 at UCLA

GLBT Issues conference: Dec 9-11, 2016 at the Riviera, Palm Springs

–Please email Loren and Marcia about space at a conference before signing up due to the 10 member limit. At that point sign up if space is available and indicate that OCSEA will pay for the conference via check. Lodging, food and transportation will be paid for by the member and reimbursed. Gather receipts and provide to Marcia after any conference using the check reimbursement form. It will be posted online to print out. Look at www.cta.org for conference updates.

Everyone was invited to stay after the meeting to have any questions answered about the joint communique.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Next meetings at 281 North Rampart St. Suite A., Orange, CA 92868 TBD. There was also discussion to move the meetings around the county so more members would participate.