

Representative Council Agenda, May 20, 2010

3:45 to 4:00 p.m.: Food and socializing

I. Opening Gavel 4 p.m.

II. Approve agenda (motion by Chrissi, 2nd Sandra) approved unanimously with change to order of agenda.

III. Approve minutes unanimously (motion by Emily, Suzanne 2nd)

IV. Officer reports

a. Treasurer: excellent condition financially

1. Erin donated her stipend to "Friends of the Valley

b. High school: no report

1. Stacy Swenck brought up the online attendance concerns. MV Admin. claims that clerks can no longer go into database and correct any attendance errors past the end of the day. Teachers must go up to office during prep or lunch to make these corrections. Admin. Notifies teachers via email when teachers forget to take attendance, and admin has threatened discipline. Admin. cannot make you do that on your time. Admin says there is a new law requiring teachers to make these corrections via paper as soon as possible. MV wants parents to have access to attendance and this is where the issue could be coming from. Grievance is dealing with aiming for consistency across district on this issue. We are already seeing growth at sites, so though you may have been transferred involuntarily, you may be staying where you are, depending on class size requirements that come down from the state...we will keep you posted.

2. Involuntary transfers are brutal and nothing we can do about much of the process. Chuck explained the voluntary transfer process and how it impacts the involuntary transfers.

c. VP: thank you to council for supporting scholarships we present as MTA. Gave Mary her Secretary's appreciation gift.

d. Elementary Director: Vote for Kim for State Council as well as Denise.

e. Middle School Director: no report

f. Secretary: send out to MTA members, an informative, brief review of our meetings so that if there are questions, membership will ask Reps to facilitate stronger communication with members. Council said yes. ☺

- g. Bargaining Chair: no report
- h. President's report:
 - 1. 2010-2011 Calendar: Checking to make sure that MS early out days schedule coincide with grades due etc. If calendar needs to be altered based on days coming back, calendar will be changed and sent out again.
 - 2. Committee Appointments 2010-2011: Exec Board appointed another position to the Bargaining Committee as a support staff and a position on the Ad Hoc committee. If interested, email Matt Johnson.
 - 3. New Officer Installation and farewell to Chrissy, our current VP.

V. Committee Reports

- a. Benefits: discussed HSA and how money is safe since plan is not changing, other than minor tweaking.
- b. Grievance: collected and explained survey. Will not be doing Principal Survey this year due to focus on bargaining.
- c. PAC: meeting today after this meeting
- d. Organizing: no report
- e. Special Ed: meeting with district once a month; will deal with elementary RTI language in contract next year.
- f. State Council: upcoming dues increase voting on...\$1.50 a month. Layoffs last year cost CTA 10 million and this increase will only recoup 4 million. Direct any vote or questions to our State Council reps.

VI. Old Business

- a. MTA Teacher Support Dinner (tomorrow night, 4 to 8 p.m.) PAC sponsored.
- b. Statewide Day of Action (yesterday's event).

VII. New Business

- a. Exec Board Planning Retreat, August 13-15
- b. Retiree gifts (1 year membership CTA-retired): we pay for one retiree to be on Rep Council each year.
- c. Tentative schedule for RC meetings for 2010-2011.
 - 1. Day, location, time=Thursdays at 3:45 to eat and 4 p.m. for mtg

VIII. Miscellaneous

- a. Site Rep stipends delivered

IX. Adjourned at 5:50 p.m./prizes distributed