

Rep Council Meeting Minutes
October 22, 2013 - 3:30-5:30
Murillos at 1591 East Monte Vista

Tax Fairness Presentation - was done by State Council representative Jerry Eaton.

Members present: Sylvia Aquino, Tricia Cowen, Jennifer Brown, Megan Morris, Helen Blood, Sofia Felix, Sharon Riehl, Russ Tucker, Julie McGee, Carolyn Thomas, Janel Curtis, Judy Schneider, Mike Ensley, Lloyd Chan, Laurie Savage, Stephanie Munzinger, Sylvia Shepard, Dawn Kelly, Samantha Mauder, Tracy Begley, Greg Gmahling, Sarah VanBuskirk, JULIE TIMMERMAN, Sofia Felix, Lenore Hubal, Katherine Epstein, Miranda Merino, DJ Bowen III, Ginny Miller, Karen Peters, Mark Richardson, Debbie Cavanaugh, Todd Blanset, Hattie Gomez, Joy Holleran, Brenda Hensley, Moira McSweeney, Aja Cook, Alyson Brauning, Corey Penrose

Members absent: Diane Dahl, Linda Covey, Desiree Nothstein, Jasmin Dierking, Jenny Brown

Site concerns:

- **Primary** - there have been some issues with the timing for elementary-themed trainings for Common Core and other sub shortage issues.
- **Secondary** - there have been issues with Buckingham's meeting hours and Common Core Training time requirements.

1)- Approval of the minutes - the minutes were approved.

2) - Approval of the agenda - after moving item five up the agenda, the agenda was approved.

3) - Health Care Presentation - Mark DeWeerdtd discussed the AHA and it's implications for our membership. Site reps are urged to visit www.coveredca.com. The report finished with a discussion about establishing a Health Care Committee.

Move - start a VTA health care committee - seconded - carries

4) - President's report - Moira reported on the following:

- **Jim Fraizer event at VHS** - was very successful.
- **Action on Friday** - was very successful.
- **Minimum day instructional minutes** - are now in compliance and the specifics of how we will meet these requirements were discussed.
- **Sub shortage** - were discussed.

- **Election committee** - Sylvia Shepard and Jasmine Dierking will chair the committee. Sarah VanBuskirk and Greg Gmahling will also serve on the committee.

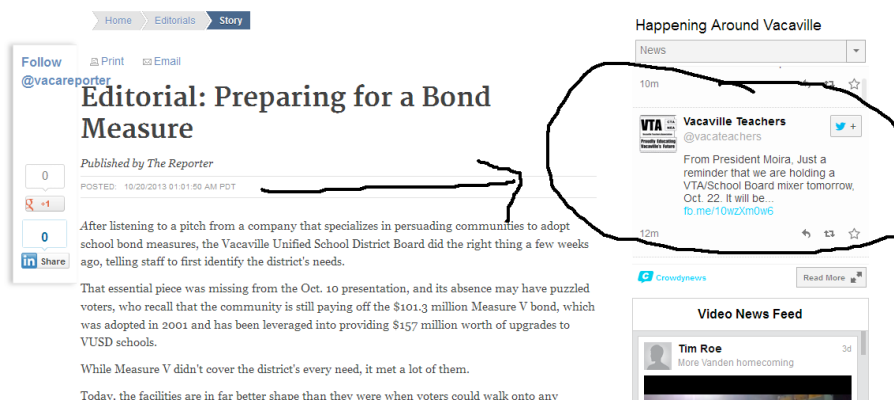
- **Site visits** - if you'd like for Moira to come to your site, please contact her ASAP.

5) - **Treasurer's report** - Brenda reviewed the treasurers report and it was approved.

6) - Committee/Chair reports:

Action - Corey and Aja reported on the following:

- **Wear black on Friday** - was reviewed.
- **T-SHIRTS contest** - will move forwards and a new page for buying VTA gear will be added to vacateachers.org.
- **Chamber after Hours Mixer** - will be hosted by Nissan at Vacaville November 7 @ 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
- **Napa-Solano CLC E Board & Delegates meeting** - will be held on November 20 @ 5:30 pm - 6:35 pm at the CTA offices in Cordelia.
- **Jim Fraizer event today at VHS** - was very successful.
- **NCUEA fall conference** -Corey will represent VTA at the fall conference and the costs will be covered by a scholarship



We're listed as happening on The Reporters twitter feed!

Bargaining - Brenda reported that the next bargaining session is scheduled for Friday, October 25th and the bargaining report will follow.

Grievance- Sylvia reported that various personnel issues have been ongoing across the district.

Equity Team - none

Human Rights -Tricia moved that the equity team replaces the women's chair with the ethnic minority chair, which was seconded and carried.

PAC - Dawn urged reps to please stay for our School Board Mixer with Trustees Mahlberg, McCallum, and Whitman

Special Ed -new IEP requirements are coming down for teachers.

Leave Bank - none

Membership - cards are being distributed to site reps.

7) – Conference reports - none

8) - Other - none

Motion - the next time we have board member mixer, we rent a meeting space in a hotel - seconded and approved.

9) – Raffle - the following items were won:

- 10 dollar subway card - Sylvia Shepard
- 10 dollar starbucks card - Miranda Merino

10) – Adjournment- the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm

Respectfully submitted, Corey Penrose