October 18, 2016 Rep Council Meeting Minutes

3:30-5:00 @ Wood library

Members present: Moira McSweeney, Brenda Hensley, Corey Penrose, Samantha Dubs, Sylvia Aquino, Todd Blanset, Jenny Brown, Tracey Begley, Sofia Calderon, Megan Morris, Tammy Parker, Sharon Riehl, Yvonne DiMichele, Russ Tucker, Julie McGee, Leslie Losberger, Mark Richardson, Cyndi Marshall, Sylvia Shepard, Janel Curtis, Becky Wylie, Rebecca Pinto, Glen Branaman, Andrew Bower, Jouli Jara, Chris Fickes, Greg Gmahling, Lindsay Richardson, Nina Foster, Miranda Merino, Nancy Anderson-Louie, Liz Meagor, Cindy Bray, Helen Blood, Jose Bermudez, Yana Sylvia,

Members absent: Alyson Brauning, Mike Ensley, Annmarie Woehler, Navjot Kaur, Allen May, Carolyn Thomas, Lisa Cusi/Marcus York, Erin Gordon, Chris Wagner

- <u>1)- Approval of the minutes the minutes were approved</u>
- <u>2) Approval of the agenda –</u> the agenda was approved.

Review of August "Site Rep To Do" list – was completed and feedback was taken on our various stated goals.

- <u>3) President's report Moira reported on the following:</u>
 - *PCS Staff* our new staffer is Dawn Cova, welcome to the team!
 - *Tiered CTA dues strand project* has been cancelled. Members who paid more dues on the tired dues program will have their extra dues reimbursed.
 - *Site visits* have been going well and will be finished by the middle of January. Some of the issues arising during those site visits were discussed with rep council. Feedback on the some of the proposed solutions was recorded as well.
- 4) Treasurer's report after reviewing the financial report, and taking a few questions, the report was approved.

5) - Committee/Chair reports

- Action Corey discussed the most popular options amongst our membership for job actions, as per our job action survey at vacateachers.org. A preliminary action plan will be drafted and shared with rep council on the December 13th meeting.
- o **Bargaining** Brenda discussed the most recent bargaining report, which can be found here. The district's issues with financial projections were shared with rep council. The next bargaining session is tentatively scheduled for December 7th. The report finished with a few questions about the financial projections for the next three years.
- o *Grievance* Sylvia reminded council that abusive conduct is not be tolerated during IEP meetings and finished by <u>discussing the ed code regarding grade changes</u>. Rep council is was reminded to be sure to base grades on academic performance, not upon behavior.
- o *Equity Team* Sofia discussed the stresses faced by our undocumented students after the election and support strategies we can use to help them.
- Health Care Moira reported on the joint district committee is meeting tomorrow. Feedback on AFLAC appointments was solicited from rep council and potential solutions were discussed. Health care costs for 2017 should be ready by mid-December.
- o *Member Engagement* Alyson reminded council that the last member mixer of the year is scheduled for December 8th at Murillo's, please encourage your members to attend!

- PAC/Labor Council Corey summarized the details and the results for Campaign 2016, the specifics of which can be found here. Corey will be participating in a conference call on the political picture for California on Thursday. The report finished with an introduction of Betsy DeVos, how her love of vouchers might shape education policy for the next four years and a discussion of the logistics of sending a gift to Nolan Sullivan to thank him for his years of service on the VUSD board.
- Special Ed Tammy discussed ongoing special education issues across the district and the status of the special education state review committee.
- o Leave Bank and Julie Davis Scholarship none
- o *Membership* Miranda reminded reps to be sure to return postcards to Alyson.

6)- Business: No new business

7) - Conference reports - none

8) - Others - an update on the bus winery tour, on the 16th of January, was shared with rep council. More details will follow!

<u>9) – Raffle –</u> a ten dollar Nugget gift card was won by Megan Morris and me!

<u>10) – Adjournment –</u> the meeting was adjourned at 4:58.

Respectfully submitted, Corey Penrose