

May 23 , 2017 Rep Council Agenda 3:30-5:00 @ Jepson Library

1)- Approval of the minutes

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Review of April "Site Rep To Do" list (Alyson Brauning) 10 minutes

3) - President's report (Tracy Begley) 5 minutes

4) - Treasurer's report (Brenda Hensley) 5 minutes

5) - Committee/Chair reports

- Action (Corey Penrose) 5 minutes

-Bargaining (Brenda Hensley) 5 minutes

-Grievance (Sylvia Aquino) 5 minutes

-Equity Team (Alyson Brauning, Tricia Cowen, Sofia Calderon & Maya Wildgoose) 5 minutes

-Health Care (Brenda Hensley, Jenny Brown) 5 minutes

-Labor Council (Corey Penrose) 5 minutes

-Member Engagement (Alyson Brauning) 5 minutes

-PAC (Corey Penrose & Tracy Begley) 5 minutes

-Special Ed (Tammy Parker) 5 minutes

-Leave Bank and Julie Davis Scholarship (Christine Williams) 5 minutes

- Membership (Alyson Brauning) 5 minutes

6)- New Business: *Proposed Bylaw changes (*see attached*)

7) - Conference reports

8) - Other

9) - Raffle

10) - Adjournment

Current BYLAW Language

IX. EXECUTIVE BOARD

- A. The Executive Board shall be composed of the Officers, the state council representatives (as long as the state council representative is an Active member of VTA), the past president, four (4) elementary directors (one for every 2 elementary schools), four (4) secondary directors (one from each comprehensive high school and one from each middle school), one (1) YRE director (one for 2 YRE elementary schools). In the event that the District does not have any year-round schools, the YRE director will become another elementary director, for a total of five (5) elementary directors. Chairs of the committees may attend Executive Board meetings for the purpose of reporting committee activities. Chairs of committees (i.e., grievance chair, bargaining chair, etc.) are not voting members of Executive Board, unless they simultaneously hold a position with voting rights.

PROPOSED NEW LANGUAGE

IX. EXECUTIVE BOARD

- A. The Executive Board shall be composed of the Officers, the state council representatives (as long as the state council representative is an Active member of VTA), the past president, **seven (7) at-large elementary directors, two (2) middle school directors (one from each middle school), two (2) high school directors to represent Will C. Wood High School, Buckingham High School and Kimme Independent Charter Academy, and two (2) high school directors to represent Vacaville High School, Country High School and the ESC.** Chairs of the committees may attend Executive Board meetings for the purpose of reporting committee activities. Chairs of committees (i.e., grievance chair, bargaining chair, etc.) are not voting members of Executive Board, unless they simultaneously hold a position with voting rights.

Rationale: Middle School Directors currently represent 50 members each, while Elementary and High School Directors represent a lot more than 50 members. To have more equitable representation, Brenda used the following numbers to determine the number of directors for each level:

Elementary	
Alamo	30
BV	50
Callison	35
Cooper	45
Fairmont	39
Hemlock/ACE	26
Larsen	2
Markham	49
Orchard	21
Padan	41
Sierra Vista	21
TOTAL	359
Divided by 50	7.18

VHS	92	WCW	80
CHS	15	ISP	7
ESC	10	BUCK	29
Total	117	Total	116
Divided by 50	2.34	Divided by 50	2.32

Logistics: We can follow through with our election, and if this bylaw passes, we can hold an August election to fill the remaining spots.

BY LAW CHANGE PROPOSALS: (change in bold)

VII. FACULTY REPRESENTATIVES

E. Faculty Representatives shall:

1. Conduct constant and ongoing liaison between the Representative Council and the Active members of the faculty unit;
2. Serve as the official channel through which written communications and publications can be easily and quickly transmitted between the Association and the members
3. Represent the views and input of the Active membership of the faculty in votes taken in the Representative Council, conducting frequent and regular polls of such membership for this purpose;
4. **Actively engage site members with support from the VTA membership engagement committee.**
5. Perform such additional duties as prescribed by the Executive Board.
6. A Faculty Representative may not conduct an election in which he/she is a candidate.

V. DUES, FEES, AND ASSESSMENTS

E. The Vacaville Teachers Association shall be authorized to set up a Political Action Committee (PAC) fund/account to be used for political advocacy. This fund, called the Vacaville Teachers Association Political Action Committee or VTA PAC shall be funded by earmarking a portion of existing monthly dues and other monies through donations from members. The appointed Treasurer shall notify all members by September 30th of each year that an amount of \$1 per month (\$10 per year) will be transferred out of each member's current monthly dues and deposited into the PAC account. All dues-paying members shall be notified annually that they may, by October 31st, notify the Association if they do not wish any of their dues to be contributed to the PAC. Should any member indicate in writing that they do not wish any portion of their dues to be contributed to the PAC, the equivalent amount (\$1 per month/\$10 per year) shall remain in the general fund of the Association. Nothing in the bylaws shall prohibit VTA from transferring an amount equal to the total annual contribution from members into the PAC starting on November 1st of that fiscal year. PAC money shall be used for, but will not be limited to, educating the general voting public of VTA's positions regarding school board candidates or incumbents, parcel tax or local bond measures. **If the PAC fund has at least \$20,000, the VTA Representative Council may opt, by a two-thirds vote, to place a one-year moratorium on transferring the general fund money to the PAC.**

