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REP COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY, June 10, 2010 - 4:00 p.m.

Minutes

- I. **Meeting was called to order** at 4:03 pm. by President Linda Tuttle.
- II. **Agenda.** Agenda was approved as presented..
- III. **Minutes** . Minutes of May 15, 2010 were approved unanimously.
- IV. **President's Report.** Linda noted that the Superintendent dropped his impasse motion to the PERB board when the district found out their motion would be denied. Linda and Manuel met with various district officials since the decision on "Fiscal Strategies." The recent response to the latest SCTA survey about all teachers do was terrific. Linda noted Jolene's husband has been ill. The President expressed gratitude for the positive emails about the SCTA picnic. She also thanked the volunteers who helped make the picnic work. News and Review did a balanced article on the union (as opposed to the horrible bias of the Bee). Linda noted the elections run-off winners for State Council. Jennifer Garcia, Joe Barnett, and Tari Green all won.
- V. **Staff Report.** Manuel Villarreal began with a few personal notes. He discussed his vacation because the Bee used it as fodder in an Op Ed. He explained the district's attempt at impasse. He also noted the difficult kind of economic and procedural atmosphere that currently exists throughout the state. He might be recommending some amendments that might be added to the contract to help with the budget shortfall that will save teacher positions.

Manuel explained the funding for benefits and a mechanism for banking money (in Amendment I). He covered equity for common planning time at all grade levels.

He expounded on the out of area retiree medical plans. (It costs about 4 times as much as a retiree who lives in Sacramento or nearby areas.)

Members expressed some concerns about having a vote so close to the end of the school year, but agreed they would do their best to conduct such a vote. A member expressed concerns about an elimination of step and column for a year. (Not true). Another member said we should be more adversarial toward our Superintendent (who seems to be so toward us). Another member suggested that we should get as much from the district and we agree to give up. Manuel stated that is an organizing effort, not a negotiating effort. Several members volunteered to deliver ballots. A member asked about whether or not we will

be keeping 20 to 1 or 25 to 1. Manuel answered 25 to 1 due to costs. The same member asked about consolidation of schools. Manuel stated that's another organizing issue.

Shana Just moved and Damian Harmony seconded the motion that if the district leaks specific information about a potential agreement that the Board does not send the agreement to a vote. Damian Harmony seconded. *Motion pulled.*

There were many more questions about individual member concerns.

VI. **Committee Reports**

PIC-Handout

Organizing-Handout

Elections-Handout

VII. **Adjournment.** Meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Smith, Secretary