

MINUTES

DATE September 30, 2010

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

ICS Conference Room, Foothill



CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Blanche Monary declared *a quorum was not present* and called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. for the Closed Session and general discussions.

Board Members Present

John Bartch
Bradley Creamer
Art Hand
Blanche Monary
Annette Perez
Renato Tuazon

Regrets

William Baldwin
Maureen Chenoweth
Stephanie Franco
Paula Joseph
Patience McHenry
Olivia Patlan
Ray Sarria
Shelly Schreiber
Selda Sigala-Aguilar
Marie Taylor-Harper

Guest(s) Present

Bradley Booth

CLOSED SESSION

PUBLIC SESSIONS

Membership status change form was discussed. Bradley Booth explained the PERB law does not allow random change in membership (maintenance of membership contract bar). The board can make a change to the constitution or look at each instance on a case by case basis. Form will need to be changed and then approved by the board.

A discussion regarding board meeting times for general attendance was discussed. An issue had come up previously regarding a member who left work to attend the meeting without notifying the supervisor there is no automatic release time. Possibly earlier to rearrange lunch times, evening or at 3:30. There was discussion of doing the open session first and the closed session at the end. Concern was raised that even if the time is changed it is unlikely that members would show up. 1:00 was chosen due to scheduling of other meetings that the board has to attend.

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REPORTING OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No quorum to approve

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TREASURER'S REPORT AND APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES

Audit was discussed. Still waiting for information from the auditor. Audit should have been completed and posted by end of August but due to no Board meetings Blanche and Annette made an executive decision to hire Gill and Associates to perform the Fair Share Fee audit. Bradley Booth is awaiting additional information before sending out the notice to the Service Fee Payers.

Taxes need to be filed by October 15.

PAC account update - we have 14 people signed up for payroll withdraw form and we need 20 for the payroll dept to set this up. People can do a payroll deduction or can write a check to the ACE PAC fund if they prefer. It is 100% voluntary.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Wanted to know which meeting is where the public should go to listen or voice their opinion. Stated many people do not even know they can even come to the board meeting. Feels 5 minutes for public comment on the agenda discourages members to speak to the union. John mentioned that the site meeting which is the 3rd Tuesday of the month is the best place for this.

Wanted clarification on the PAC fund and that it is only the Parcel tax. Wanted clarification on the 10,000 in the account. Blanche clarified the Union opened account and loaned 10,050 to the account and then wrote a check to PAC. It was clarified that other groups on the campuses such as DASB, FA and others also made contributions. It was determined that if 20 members made a 5.00 payroll deduction it would take 10 years to recoup the funds.

Wanted to know the "Vision" of Ace - the top 3 things ACE wants to accomplish this year. Felt members would be interested to know. Blanche explained her immediate goal is to get the office set up appropriately and get the elections set up and processed smoothly. John mentioned that the board had been very focused on the layoffs up until recently. Renato explained that ACE doesn't really have a "Vision" per se' it is really just about in the business of the union.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no Committee Reports presented at this session.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

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ACE Board Meeting

NEXT MEETING

The next ACE Board Meeting will take place on Thursday, October 14, 2010 at 1:00 PM in the

Blanche Monary, ACE President,
ACE Board Meeting Chair

Date: _____

Leann Connell, ACE Lead Recorder

Date: _____