

# Central Unified Teachers Association

## Site Rep/Executive Council Minutes

March 1, 2010

At Pathway

[www.Centraluta.org](http://www.Centraluta.org)

The meeting was called to order by President Cheryl Fowlkes at 4:01 pm. The attendance sheet was circulated for signatures. It was motioned by Art with a second by Barrie to adopt the agenda. It was approved by all. It was motioned by Gail and seconded by Kathy to approve the minutes. It was approved by all.

Guest – Caroline Gonzales – CTA

### Reports:

- A. Financial: Barrie – Checking \$18,863.94. Savings \$14,414.53.
- B. Grievance: Gail, Barrie, Lynda, Mary – none.
- C. Elections: Kathy – Officer elections in May (3<sup>rd</sup>–12<sup>th</sup>) Email interests to Kathy Ishimoto by April 16th.
- D. Insurance: John, Lynda – negative \$1.06 million. CVS/CareMark – Dr. needs to write prescription as 90 day x 3 refills for 12 month prescriptions.
- E. Membership: Donna – none
- F. Calendar: John – none.
- G. PAR: Art, Lynda – none
- H. Board Meeting: Barrie – CSEA – tabled proposition regarding taking hours away from employees. CUTA – voted to go ahead with 113 layoffs. 92 will receive RIF notices in March. In elementary – 65 teachers will be laid off. There was talk about replacing Aeries with a more compatible program.
- I. State Council: Cheryl, Barrie, & John – none
- J. Negotiations: John, Joyce, Cheryl, Gail, & Barrie: No confirmation that we will postpone sunshining. Some teachers had wanted questions on survey about furloughs and salaries.
- K. Newsletter: Phyllis – Newsletters are ready to go to members. There will be another newsletter in May
- L. Conferences: Barrie – none
- M. PAC report: Cheryl – PAC is about monies we use to get School Board members elected.
- N. STAT report: Frances, Mary. Date keeps changing, so no report.
- O. Overage form: Art – \$43,770 is due to us.
- P. Organizing Team: Kathy Sanchez will chair team. Gaye Lewis, Mary Magliore, Sherril Robertson, Cari Aguila, Gary Nelson, Laura Bolton will be on the team.**

### Old Business:

- A. Survey – John, Caroline: The survey is being used for organization and negotiation strategies.
- B. Web Site – Lynda will have Jeff Smith contact Cheryl for updates.
- C. RIF procedures – Caroline has a RIF packet with explanations of timeline for those laid off. GIAs and Resource teachers can apply as Academic Coaches.
- D. School Board Elections. If anyone hears of anyone interested in positions, let the Executive Council know so they may be contacted about possible support. Google Fresno County Office of Ed, elected officials, school trustees to find out zones for board members. Open seats are

Rusconi, Geringer, Wilson and Milla.

E. Home emails: Please send names of reps to Cheryl. Cheryl's email is [cfowks4@aol.com](mailto:cfowks4@aol.com). 288-8905 – cell, 275-5464 – home number.

#### New Business:

- A. Legislative Elections – Assembly District 29 – CTA has no recommendation. John moves we concur with CTA's stance, Mary 2nds. We concur. Assembly District 31 – CTA favors Henry Perea. John moves to concur, Gail 2nds. We concur. Art abstains. Congressional District 19 – CTA favors Les Marzden. John moves we concur, Joyce 2nds. We concur. Art abstains. Senate District 14 – CTA has no recommendation. Senate District 15 – CTA remains neutral. John moves that we concur with Districts 14 and 15, Art 2nds. We concur.
- B. March 4 Stand Up for Schools Bargaining Team. Teachers wear red to picket before school, or any time not on duty. [www.standupforschools.org](http://www.standupforschools.org) for more information.

Questions for Mr. Berg. Meet on March 11<sup>th</sup>. Concern regarding Balanced Math Training, which is during CSTs. Administrators will cover tests in classes.

Concerns from the members: Administrators are observing every week, requiring detailed lesson plans.

The meeting was adjourned by President Cheryl Fowlkes at 6:30 pm. It was motioned by John to adjourn the meeting, with a second by Kathy Sanchez. It was approved by all. The next meeting scheduled will be held at Pathway at 4:00 pm on April 12, 2010. Refreshments will be provided by our friends at Central West and Pershing.

Respectfully submitted, Lesley Sprague (CUTA secretary)

#### Attendance:

##### Executive:

President: Cheryl Fowlkes

Vice President: John Wells

Treasurer: Barrie Burnham

Secretary: Lesley Sprague

Members at large: Gail Saunders (MS), Kathy Ishimoto (ES), absent (HS)

#### Site Reps:

Biola – Frances Sias

Central East – John Wells

Central West – Barrie Burnham, Janie Greaves, Roz Lopez

CLASS – Jody Bull for Connie King

El Capitan – Kathy Sanchez, Gail Saunders

Harvest – Cari Aquila, Gaye Lewis

Herndon-Barstow – Joyce Davis, Lesley Sprague

Houghton-Kearney – Donna Lemley

Liddell – Gayle Colby-Judd

Madison – Mary Ellen Martinez, Kathy Ishimoto, Phyllis English

McKinley – Val Tillery, Cheryl Robinson

Pathways – Cheryl Fowlkes

Pershing – absent

Polk – absent

Rio Vista – Art Judd

River Bluff – Mary Migliore

Roosevelt – Dina Heggan, Monica Rivera ([mrivera531@yahoo.com](mailto:mrivera531@yahoo.com))

Saroyan – Bernice Hernandez  
Steinbeck – Lynda Labendeira, Carrie Zigler  
Teague – Sherril Robertson, Laura Bolton  
District Office – absent  
CLASS – Jody Ball  
Support Staff – none  
CTA – Caroline Gonzales

*Refreshments:* April – Central West/Pershing. May – Teague/Roosevelt. June – Dinner Mtg.