

Latino Caucus 8/8/15 Minutes

Present: Rachel Subega, Gerry Ortega, Ignacio Ochoa, Claudia Torres, Bob Sigala, Carmen Hanson, Ethel Jackson, Vickie Garcia, Dolores Lola Herrera, Brian O'Neill, Ruben.

1- 10:00 a.m. Call to order: Rachel Subega

- a. Bob addition to agenda VTA to New business, COPE old business.
- b. Rachel Subega, Latino conference to chairperson report.
- c. Gerry motion to approve agenda, Carmen Hanson second.
- d. Gerry name misspelled.

2- Report Back

- a. Summer Camp. Camp kids.
- b. San Juan Bautista volunteers \$950 \$50 short from \$1k goal. Thanks for SEIU participation. Ruben, Connie, Chuy, Domingo and Family, Raquel Welch, Larry, Rachel and Bob.
- c. Bob Sigala - TBD Democrat party - BBQ.
- d. IHSS – SEIU 2015; 52,000 home care members under new union. Financial hardships since majority of IHSS were COPE contributors.
- e. Bob motion to accept mtg. Ethel second to accept mtg.

3- Treasurer's Report:

- a. Food money – very small balance \$3,653.96 only expense food.
- b. \$200-300 – Día de los muertos (Big expense) December off site meeting.
- c. Claudia motion to accept treasurer report Bob Sigala second to accept treasure report.
- d. Latino leadership institute in San Juan Bautista \$480.00 September 22-25, 2015. Berkley Latino center is sponsoring Sugg. – Bob Sigala & Brian O'Neill to attend Sept./COPE to pay.
- e. Carmen motion to have Rachel attend institute, Dolores second to pass motion.

4- Chapter Report:

- a. SEIU 521 involved in comprehensive immigration report action involvement.
- b. Lara Bill – insure kids under 19 undocumented. Bob S. phone banking on this Lara Bill. New website lamerica.org

5- New Business:

- a. VTA issues – classes and routes. VTA planning on placing a sales tax on 2016 ballot that could raise billing of dollars for transportation. Operation – buses, etc. Gilroy.....Don Gage and Perry Woodward.

6- Old Business:

- a. Affect: prop 13 – schools, social services, mental health
- b. Minimum Wage Initiative – TBD state council. UHW - \$15 statewide. (to be continued)
- c. Transportation
- d. Children over politics – great group. Young people involved under 25 yrs. Old.

- e. Tuesday SSC board mtg. resolution – direct county to increase cost of living wages to make hard to contract out. Voting on housing.
- f. Rent stabilization/minimum wage/living wage & cost of living standard. Minimum wage in Santa Clara. Vote 8/18/15 Santa Clara City Hall at 6 p.m.
- g. Stake holder mtg. daughter of charity Aug. 19, 3-5 at 2310 N. 1st Street #102, Bob Brownstain implementing affordable care ACT.
- h. National politics; not endorse at this time. After democratic candidate to endorse our issues too early should just wait.

7- Announcement: NO

Rachel Subega motion to adjourn, Bob Sigala second to adjourn mtg.

Submitted by: Claudia Torres