SEIU LOCAL 521
LATINO CAUCUS – FRESNO
MINUTES
OCTOBER 1, 2014

I. **Call To Order**: meeting was called to order at 6:29 P.M. by Chair Lorenzo Lambaren.

II. **Welcome & Introductions**: welcome was extended to all in attendance by Chair Lambaren.
Those in attendance: Chair Lambaren, Jennifer Jensen, Joy Hall-Villarreal, Sergio Garcia, Raquel Garcia (guest), Maria Luisa Gutierrez (guest) and Anna Martinez.

III. **Treasurer's Report:** Chair Lambaren reported the balance on the agenda is as of August 31, 2014 reflects the current balance with no outstanding authorizations to be paid. Jennifer Jensen made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Lorenzo Lambaren seconded the motion. No further discussion. Vote taken. Motion passed as presented.

IV. **Secretary's Report:** Jennifer Jensen presented the minutes from the prior month's meeting. Sergio Garcia made a motion to accept the minutes as presented with a few grammatical changes. Seconded by Joy Hall-Villarreal. No further discussion. Vote taken. Motion passed as presented.

V. **Old Business:**

A. Hispanic Heritage Month Observance (September 15, 2014 – October 15, 2014): No report available

B. Central California Women's Conference Report (September 16, 2014) Joy Hall-Villarreal reported on the conference and how there were over 4,600 attendees. She stated that she was also impressed by the variety of the different classes offered as well as the different businesses and vendors.

C. Caucus Summit (October 11, 2014): Chair Lambaren reminded everyone of the fifth All Caucus Summit to be held October 11, 2014 from 10:00A.M. – 3:00P.M. at the SEIU Union office in Fresno. Everyone was urged to attend.

D. Upcoming Election: Chair Lambaren reminded everyone of precinct walking every Saturday from Blong Xiong' s headquarters (4105 W. Swift Ave #111, Fresno) every Saturday from 9:00A.M. to 1:00P.M. He also reminded everyone of phone banking (Monday – Thursday from 6:00P.M. - 8:00P.M. dinner 5:30P.M.) at SEIU office.

E. Community Outreach:

1. Joben Nobel: Chair Lambaren reported that he has been attending Joben Noble. This is a group whose purpose is to breakdown the stereotypes and machismo in men 10-24 years old. It also helps to develop character and leadership, teaches how to develop healthy relationships, health issues, substance abuse and domestic violence issues. The organization provides snacks/food and incentives for participation. There is a t-shirt with a design that is provided only for those participating in the program. Jennifer Jensen made a motion to

donate $500 towards the expenses of Joben Noble. Joy Hall Villarreal Seconded. No further discussion. Vote taken. Motion passed as presented.

2. FASTA (Fresno Area Substitute Teachers' Association) Third Annual Glove Drive: Jennifer Jensen made a motion to donate $300 to FASTA's Third Annual Glove Drive for the purchase of gloves for the students in local elementary schools. Seconded by Joy Hall-Villarreal. No further discussion. Motion passed as presented.
3. Fresno Aids Walk: Chair Lambaren provided information that 2014 the Fresno Aids Walk is being held November 22, 2014. A motion was made by Joy Hall-Villarreal made a motion to donate $500 to the Fresno Aides Walk. Seconded by Anna Moreno. There was discussion as to whether or not t-shirts would be provided. No further discussion. Vote taken. Motion passed as presented.

VI. On-Going

A. Immigration Reform: Chair Lambaren reported that at this point there is nothing planned at this point.

B. Mi Familia Vota --- no report available

VII. **New Business**: none

VIII. Donation Request

A. Holiday Dance: Jennifer Jensen made a motion for Latino Caucus to purchase 3 (three) tickets at the cost of $30 a piece for the Annual Holiday Dance in Selma. Seconded by Anna Moreno. Discussion: Chair Lambaren reported that those who attend need to make sure this is used as an organizing opportunity and not a party only opportunity. Vote taken. Motion passed as presented.

IX. **Open Forum:** nothing

X. **Adjournment**: meeting adjourned so everyone could participate in phone banking for Blong Xiong.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Secretary