

SEIU LOCAL 521
LATINO CAUCUS --- FRESNO
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 5, 2016

CALL TO ORDER: the meeting was called to order at 6:05PM BY Chair Lorenzo Lambaren.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS: Chair Lambaren extended a welcome to those in attendance: Lucia Sapiens, Dawn Gallegos, Joy Hall-Villareal, Sergio Garcia, Maria Luisa Gutierrez (guest), Rachel Garcia (guest), Jennifer Jensen, Lorenzo Lambaren and Diana Vasquez (staff).

TREASURER'S REPORT: as of August 31, 2016 there was \$4,850.83 in the account. There are still some outstanding authorizations at this time.

Status of 2017 Budget Approval by Social Economic Justice Committee (SEJ): each individual Caucus budget for the Year 2017 has submitted their Year 2017 Budget. SEJ will be reviewing budget for approval so as to be submitted to Executive Board on December 3, 2016 for approval

SECRETARY'S REPORT: the minutes of the September 7, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Lucia Sapiens stated she was at the last meeting though her name was omitted from the minutes. Dawn Gallegos made a motion to accept the minutes as presented with the addition of Lucia Sapiens in attendance. Seconded by Lucia Sapiens. No further discussion. Vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

MI FAMILIA VOTA: Sam Molina shared that Mi Familia Vota has registered over 4,000 voters in California. Mi Familia Vota will be doing Voter Education Forum October 6, 2016 at Fresno Adult School as well as 10/15/16 in Madera and Firebaugh. Mi Familia Vota will also be doing other activities regarding voter education and voter registration. Last day to register to vote is October 24, 2016.

OLD BUSINESS:

Caucus Summit Saturday, October 15, 2016 at the Fresno SEIU OFFICE. All were urged to attend the event. Gift Basket: at the September 7, 2016 meeting a motion had been passed to purchase and make two gift baskets valued at \$50 per piece for the Caucus Summit raffle. Dawn Gallegos volunteered to purchase the items and assemble the basket.

Voter Education Forum – October 6, 2016: Chair Lambaren urged everyone to attend.

AIDS Walk October 22, 2016: Chair Lambaren urged everyone to attend.

NEW BUSINESS:

ADOPTING TEN CHILDREN FROM HOLY CROSS FOR THE HOLIDAYS: Chair Lambaren explained that the Caucus has adopted ten children in the past through Holy Cross Women's Day Shelter.. Jennifer Jensen will ask Holy Cross to provide the names. Dawn Gallegos made a motion to adopt ten children through Holy Cross for the holidays and to provide each child with an outfit and a toy with total cost not to exceed \$500. Seconded by Jennifer Jensen. No further discussion. Motion passed as presented.

END OF THE YEAR WRAP UP EVENT: various dates were discussed. It was generally agreed by those in attendance that December 17, 2016 would be a viable date. More discussion at the next Latino Caucus meeting and SEJ.

LEAGUE OF MEXICAN AMERICAN WOMEN SCHOLRSHIP FUND RAISER FIESTA NAVIDENIA: there Was no information on the Website at this time? It is thought that it will be December 3, 2016. The event will be discussed further at the November 2, 2016 Latino Caucus meeting. Those that indicated they would like to attend: Dawn Gallegos, Lucia Sapiens, Diana Vasquez, Sergio Garcia, and Joy Hall-Villareal and Lorenzo Lambaren. Lucia Sapiens made a motion to purchase a table to the League of Mexican American Women's Scholarship Fundraiser Fiesta Navidenia at a price not to exceed more than \$600. Seconded by Dawn Gallegos. No discussion. Vote taken. Motion passed as presented.

ADOPTING PHONE BANKING NIGHT DURING GOTV: it was discussed among those in attendance. The consensus was for those wishing to phone bank that Wednesday, October 12, 2016 from 6:00P.M. – 8:00P.M. would be appropriate. Those indicating they would like to attend were: Lorenzo Lambaren, Jennifer Jensen, Dawn Gallegos and Lucia Sapiens.

OPEN FORUM:

BARRIOS UNIDOS: Chair Lambaren reminded everyone of the fundraiser on October 29, 2016. Chair Lambaren stated that those interested in going should contact him for further information.

FASTA GLOVE DRIVE: Sergio Garcia, on behalf of FASTA, requested a donation for their annual glove drive. Jennifer Jensen made a motion for Latino Caucus – Fresno to donate \$500 to the annual FASTA glove drive. Seconded by Lucia Sapiens. No discussion. Motion passed as presented.

ADJOURNMENT: Lucia Sapiens made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 P.M. Seconded by Jennifer Jensen.