

SEIU LOCAL 521
LATINO CAUCUS MEETING
MINUTES
MARCH 2, 2016

Call To Order: the meeting was called to order at 6:02 P.M. by Caucus Chair Lorenzo Lambaren.

Present: Sam Molina (Mi Familia Vota), Lorenzo Lambaren, Lucia Sapiens, Dawn Gallegos, Sergio Garcia, Maria Luisa Gutierrez (guest), Debra Perez, Joy Hall-Villareal and Jennifer Jensen.

Treasurer's Report: Chair Lambaren stated that the only report he had was that there would possibly be more money for the budget. Will know more at a later date.

Secretary's Report: Joy Hall Villareal made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 6, 2016 meeting as presented. Seconded by Debra Perez. No discussion. Vote taken. Motion passed as presented. There was no meeting February 3, 2016.

On-Going:

Mi Familia Vota: Samuel Molina stated that Mi Familia Vote in conjunction with Univision and the California Attorney General's office, SEIU –UHW, Local 2015 and Local 521 will be presenting a Citizenship Workshop on April 26, 2016. Location is not yet known. As many volunteers as possible are needed.

Immigration Coalition: Chair Lambaren stated there will be a meeting March 11, 2016 at Local UHW. He stated he will be calling in to the meeting.

Old Business:

Dr. Martin Luther King Events: Sergio Garcia reported on the event.

Incentives: Latino Caucus/Purple: Chair Lambaren stated he is not aware whether or not the Latino Caucus in San Jose had ordered purple/Latino Caucus incentives to share with the Latino Caucus in Fresno or not. He stated that he will check with Rachel Subega, the Latino Caucus Chair in San Jose, to discuss. He also stated that he is not sure of the number of purple/Latino Caucus incentives due to the break-in of the storage shed.

New Business:

Kid's Day (Tuesday, March 8, 2016): volunteers were requested. Joy Hall-Villareal stated that she will attend.

Mixica New Year (Saturday, March 12, 2016): the event is being held in San Jose. Members were asked if anyone wanted to attend. Joy Hall-Villareal indicated she would like to attend. Stated she planned on going with Alex Betancourt and his wife, Sylvia.

César Chávez Birthday Activities: there was a discussion as to whether or make a donation of \$600 to the César Chavez Event in Visalia. After a general discussion it was agreed to put the donation on hold until the April, 2016 meeting.

NAMI Walk (May 21, 2016): Chair Lambaren reminded all members the Caucus has budgeted \$100 for the race.

Open Discussion:

Cancellation of February 3, 2016 meeting: Chair Lambaren discussed the fact the meeting was cancelled due to a family emergency. The general consensus was that unless it was an absolute emergency no future meetings would be cancelled.

Election of Co-Chair: there was a discussion with members as to filling the vacancy since prior Co-Chair retired. Joy Hall-Villareal volunteered. The membership decided to have an election at The April 6, 2016 meeting. This would allow any others who would like to be considered to run.

Adjournment: the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 P.M.

