

**SEIU LOCAL 521**  
**LATINO CAUCUS --- FRESNO**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**MARCH 7, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER:** the meeting was called to order at 6:15 P.M. by Chair Lorenzo Lambaren.

**WELCOME & ATTENDANCE:** welcome was extended to all. Those attending: Lorenzo Lambaren, Sidd Moreno, Dawn Gallegos, Lucia Sapiens, Jennifer Jensen, Henry Lopez, Francis Coronado, Joy Hall-Villarreal, Sergio Garcia, Raquel Garcia (honorary member), Maria Luisa Gutierrez (honorary member), Alondra Quintero (honorary member). Jerry Hunsucker (guest) and Jim Avalos (guest).

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** tabled.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** tabled

**OLD BUSINESS:**

***Mexica New Year Celebration (March 10, 2018 – March 11, 2018 San Jose):*** information was given to all in attendance. No members at the time indicated they would be able to attend.

***Cesar Chavez Event (April 7, 2018 SEIU 521 San Jose office):*** information was given to all in attendance. No members at this time indicated they would be able to attend.

***SEIU Challenge – Feeding The Homeless (March 18, 2018):*** there was discussion on what to serve. The consensus was for the Latino Caucus to purchase 75 hot dogs and 75 waters from Costco. Jennifer Jensen made a motion to spend up to \$125 to purchase 75 hot dogs and 75 bottled waters from Costco the same as done last time. Francis seconded the motion.

Discussion: none. Vote taken. Motion passed unanimously. It was decided, as is past practice, to meet at the Union office at 1:00P.M. to load up everything. Jennifer Jensen volunteered to pick up the food the day of the event.

***Poverello House:*** Dawn Gallegos is to meet with a representative at Poverello House Saturday, March 10, 2018 to see what opportunities are available for which the Latino Caucus to volunteer.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

***Union Park & Workers Memorial Foundation Third Annual Labor BBQ (May 19, 2018):*** Jerry Hunsucker and Jim Avalos were in attendance to ask the Latino Caucus to once again purchase tickets. They explained that the menu will be: trip tip, pilaf, green beans, salad and rolls as well as drinks. There will be a children menu (for those under 12): hot dogs, chips and drinks. Stressed that the purpose is building unity with your brothers and sisters in different unions. Stated this year there will be some new features including water slides and other water features which adults will also be able to use. The train this year will be ADA accessible. The museum will be open from 2:00P.M. – 3:00P.M. Jennifer Jensen made a motion to purchase 15 tickets at \$10 apiece. Seconded by Henry Lopez. Discussion: none. Vote taken. Motion passed as presented. Tickets were provided the night of the meeting.

***Mi Familia Vota Citizenship Prescreening (March 17, 2018 from 9:00A.M. to 12:00P.M. at 188 E. California Ave., Fresno):*** information was provided to all. Those that wished to attend were advised to meet at the location.

***Hispana Organized For Political Equality (HOPE):*** Lorenzo Lambaren provided the flyer for the 24<sup>th</sup> Latina Action Day in Sacramento, Wednesday, May 23, 2018. Tickets are \$75 per person (if purchased by March 23, 2018 there is a \$15 discount). The conference starts at 10:00 A.M. and ends at 8:00P.M. Jennifer Jensen made a motion to purchase, based on those who are able to attend, to purchase up to 6 tickets by March 23, 2018 for \$60 apiece. Seconded by Henry Lopez. Discussion: whether or not to rent a car. It was decided that it will depend on how many people are attending as there are two more meetings before the event. There was also discussion as to

whether or not to rent a hotel. It was decided that as the hours of the event are 10:00A.M. to 8:00P.M. not to rent a room. Vote taken. Motion passed as presented.

Those that indicated they would like to attend: Dawn Gallegos, Lucia Sapiens, Francis Coronado, Alondra Quintero and Joy Hall-Villarreal. A decision was made for those that wish to attend or those who are on the list and unable to attend to contact Lorenzo Lambaren by March 15, 2018.

**DONATION REQUESTS:**

***Holy Cross Homeless Women's Day Shelter Diaper Drive (April 1, 2018 – April 30, 2018):***

Jennifer Jensen, Chair of SEIU 521 Women's Caucus – Fresno for a donation to the Women's Caucus Diaper Drive. She explained that Holy Cross distributes diapers throughout the year to those in need. The diapers are not distributed in the boxes but in a limited amount. They also provide, as needed, baby wipers and feminine hygiene products. Women's Caucus and other Caucuses have pooled their funds to purchase diapers, wipes and feminine products on a large basis. Francis Coronado made a motion to donate \$100 to the Holy Cross Homeless Women's Day Shelter diaper drive to pool with the other Caucuses to purchase diapers, wipes and feminine products. Sended by Henry Lopez. Discussion: none. Vote taken: motion passed as presented.

**OPEN FORUM:**

***Melissa Hurtado Fundraiser:*** Sergio Garcia stated he wanted to share that there will be a fundraiser on Thursday, March 8, 2018 at Fulton 55.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

Lucia Sapiens made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20P.M. Jennifer Jensen seconded. Vote taken. Motion passed as presented.