SEIU LOCAL 521
JOINT MEETING
OF
WOMEN'S CAUCUS- FRESNO AND LATINO CAUCUS – FRESNO
JANUARY 4, 2018

I. **Call To Order**: the meeting was called to order at 6:07 jointly by Women's Caucus Chair Jennifer Jensen and Latino Caucus Chair Lorenzo Lambaren at 6:07 P.M.

II. **Welcome & Introductions:** The Caucus Chairs extended a welcome to all in attendance. Those attending: Jennifer Jensen, Lorenzo Lambaren, Patricia Stratham Clay, Simone Cranston-Rhodes, Nancy Her, Joy Hall-Villarreal, Francis Coronado, Daniel Galindo, Sergio Garcia, Raquel Garcia, Mary Luisa Gutierrez, Dawn Gallegos, Lucia Sapiens, Henry Lopez a and Diane Vasquez.

III. **Treasurer's Report**: Chair Lambaren reported that each of the caucus's had a balance of $8,000 as of the new budget year began January 1, 2018.

IV. **Secretary's Report**: the minutes for the December 6, 2017 Latino Caucus Meeting and the December 4, 2017 Women's Caucus Meeting were reviewed. Patricia Stratham-Clay made a motion to accept the minutes as presented with some minor grammatical/spelling changes. Seconded by Dawn Gallegos. Discussion: none. Vote taken. Motion passed as presented.

V. **Old Business**:

End Of The Year All Caucus Wrap Up Event – December 9, 2017: those that attended reported on the Success of the event. It was reported over 100 people attended but not everyone was signed-in. There was discussion on whether or not have a limited number of people attended due to space restrictions and how this would be accomplished. No decision was made. A date was discussed for the A date was discussed for the 2018 event. The general consensus was to have the End Of The Year All Caucus Wrap Up Event For 2018 on December 8, 2018. Jennifer Jensen will send an e-mail requesting to reserve the Unity Hall that date.

VI. **New Business:**

Women's March --- January 20, 2018: Simone Cranston-Rhoades, the Community Political Organizer for Regions 3 and 4, discussed the second annual Women's March that will be held from 10:30A.M. – 3:00 P.M. at Nees and Blackstone between River Park and Villagio Shopping Center near Westwood's Restaurant and JoAnn's Fabric Shop. A sign-up sheet was circulated. Those that indicated they would/should be attending: Patricia Stratham-Clay, Simone Cranston-Rhodes, Joy Hall-Villarreal, Francis Coronado, Sergio Garcia, Raquel Garcia, Maria Luis Gutierrez, Jennifer Jensen, Lorenzo Lambaren and Diane Vasquez. Simone also reported that there will be a sign making event on January 18, 2017. Simone requested a donation, of any amount, to the Women's March. There was a question as to whether or not the Women's March group has a non-profit status. Simone checked later and found out that it does have a non-profit status. Dawn Gallegos made a motion for the Latino Caucus to donate $100 to the Women's March on January 20, 2018. Seconded by Francis Coronado. Discussion: none Vote taken. Motion passed with one no. Lucia Sapiens made a motion for the Women's Caucus to donate $100 to the Women's March. Seconded by Francis Coronado. Discussion: none. Vote taken. Motion passed as presented with one no.

VII. **On-Going/Annual Activities**:

Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Annual Community Breakfast: Chair Lambaren reported there is a line item in the Latino Caucus --- Fresno Budget that would allow 10 tickets for $5 a piece with a canned food donation to be purchased. He reminded everyone as it was a budgeted line item for 2018 no motion was needed. Everyone was urged to attend the event on August6 13, 2018 beginning at 9:00A.M. at the Clovis Veteran's Building.

Chair Jennifer Jensen reported the Women's Caucus --- Fresno has a budgeted lined item in the amount of $80 for the event. This would allow for 16 tickets to be purchased along with canned food items. Made for Them Human Trafficking Fundraiser --- March 2, 2018: the flyer was reviewed**.** Tickets for a Group of 8 costs $850. Patricia Stratham Clay made a motion to purchase 8 tickets for a cost of $850 for the Made For Them Human Trafficking Fundraiser March 2, 2018 with the funding **to**

come from Organizing and Community Events Budget Line Item. Se*conded by Lucia Sapiens. No discussion. Vote taken. Motion passed unanimously*. A sign-up sheet was submitted. Those that indicated they would like to attend: Nancy Her, Patricia Stratham-Clay, Henry Lopez, Joy Hall-Villarreal, Jennifer Jensen, Francis Coronado, Lucia Sapiens, Dawn Gallegos and Sergio Garcia as an alternate.

SEIU Challenge: Feeding The Homeless: the projected dates for 2018 were reviewed by everyone in attendance. It was pointed out that the February 18, 2018 date is right in the middle of a three day weekend. A consensus of the group was to do the event on the following dates in 2018: January 21, 2018; March 18, 2018; May 20, 2018; July 22, 2018; September 16, 2018, November 18, 2018 and possibly December, 2018. It was noted that the dates are subject to change of cancellation. The event discussion moved on to the menu for the January 21, 2018 event. The consensus was to have peanut butter and jelly Sandwiches, chips, water and a snack for 100 people. The Latino Caucus will be providing the peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and baggies. The Women's Caucus will provide chips, water and snacks. The socks and gently used clothing will also be distributed that day. Henry Lopez made a motion for the Latino Caucus to spend up to $125 to purchase the bread, peanut butter, jelly and baggies for 100 people. Seconded by Dawn Gallegos. Discussion: none. Vote taken. Motion passed as presented**.** Patricia Stratham-Clay made a motion for the Women's Caucus to spend up to $200 to purchase the chips, water and snacks for 100 people. Francis seconded. Discussion: there was discussion as to whether the motion made last year, though not used, would suffice. Not being sure it was decided to vote on the pending motion. Vote taken. Motion passed unanimously as presented.

VIII **Open Forum:** Chair Lambaren stated that there will be a local day of action but a date has not yet been scheduled.

IX **Adjournment:** meeting adjourned at 7:12 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Jensen
Chair, Women's Caucus Fresno