

**San Ramon Valley Education Association  
Representative Council Meeting - San Ramon Valley High School  
Monday, October 19, 2009 - 3:45 P.M.**

**Minutes**

1. **Call to Order:** President Darren Day called the meeting to order at 3:50 p.m.
2. **Roll Call/Introductions:** Absentees include Baldwin, Del Amigo, and Hidden Hills.
3. **Approval of Minutes – 9/14/09**
  - Minutes were unanimously approved.
4. **Director Meeting with Reps - Electronic Documents**
  - Darren requested an exact number of members at each site to limit the number of hard copies. Notes from each group will be given to Darren for follow-up action.
5. **President's Report**
  - A. **School Board Meetings**
    - The last school board meeting was well attended by teachers. The issue was regarding class size being increased to 24 at the elementary level. DeeDee Judice did a fabulous job speaking about split reading and about class size. There hopefully will be good teacher representation at future board meetings to illustrate the teachers' perspective on the budget cuts and how they have affected the classroom.
  - B. **Signal/Electronic Versions**
  - C. **Weingarten Rights - Contract Tip**
    - Teachers always have the right to have union representation at any meetings that they feel will be contentious or may lead to disciplinary action. If a teacher voluntarily provides information, they in effect waive their Weingarten Rights. Please make yourself and your staffs familiar with the Weingarten rules.
6. **Treasurer's Report - Approve 09-10 Budget**
7. **Old Business**
  - A. **Update - Constant Contact**
    - Please make one more announcement for teachers to sign up on Constant Contact. Communication will be beginning on Constant Contact soon but will also be sent on the district server for a short time.
  - B. **Other**
    - Darren has been visiting school sites. If you are unable to meet on the scheduled day or time please email Darren so a change can be made.
9. **New Business**

#### **A. District Forums - SRVEA Forums**

- Steve Enoch has scheduled four forums at the four high schools for staff and another for parents. The purpose is to talk about changes in the district, 21<sup>st</sup> century learning, technology, etc. Should the forums be separate or should we combine parents and teachers? Discussion followed with varying opinions. If not, how do we get the teacher voice at the parent meeting? Darren is going to put out an invitation for teachers to attend the parent meeting and a list of suggestions of topics that need to be discussed. This could be a good opportunity for teachers and PTA's to work together.

#### **B. School Board Election - Ann Katzburg**

- Ann discussed a survey called "Who Decides?" How much of our professional life is controlled by the school board? The school board election is very important to our day to day life and the education of the students in the district. Ann needs people to join the political action committee and she needs to develop a list of possible candidates for the November school board election. Reps should ask their staffs if they are familiar with any possible candidates that are active in the community and would have a good relationship with teachers. If they do, they should email the names of these individuals to Ann. It is SRVEA's intent to find candidates that we can support with our PAC fund and with political action.

#### **C. Other**

- Bob Donovan will be tabulating the election results which must be turned in to CTA by Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.
- The parking lot items were quickly discussed and referrals for help were made.

#### **10. 10-Minute Mtg Items**

- Weingarten Rights

#### **11. Committee Reports**

#### **12. Announcements**

- a) Executive Bd Mtg – 11/2/09
- b) Rep Council Mtg –11/9/09
- c) School Board Meetings – 10/20, & 11/10/09

#### **13. Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 5:25pm.