Chapter Meeting Minutes  
February 18, 2016

I Call To Order – A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. by President Debbi Partridge.

Members present:  
MJC/CS:  Debbi Partridge, Cirilo Torres, Julie Hughes, Rita Perez, Sherri Suarez, Kim Schrader, Miriam Medina & Angie Vizcarra  
CC:  Wendy Hesse, Luisa Adams, & Nick Lampkin  
Phone: Joe Rosas  
Guests: Adam Uplinger, Candidate for Alternate Area E Director.

II Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by members present.

III Roll Call of E-Board:  
Present: President Debbi Partridge, 2nd Vice President Cirilo Torres, Treasurer Julie Hughes, Communications Officer Rita Perez, Chief Steward Wendy Hesse.  
Absent: 1st Vice President Tanya Smith; Secretary Judy Wagner

IV President introduced Adam Uplinger, Candidate for Alternate Area E Director. Adam shared that he has worked for Oakdale Unified since 2001, 9 years on the E-Board. He has been on the State Cal-Gen council encouraging younger members to become active in the union. Adam stated that he is ready to step up into the Alternate Area E Director position and is ready to assist Area E Director Sylvia Diaz in any way needed.

V Approval of January minutes – Sherri Suarez motioned to approve the minutes. Cirilo Torres seconded the motion. It was unanimous.

VI Treasurer’s Report – Treasurer Julie Hughes reviewed the financial reports for December 2015 & January 2016. Julie has secured two chapter members to perform the annual audit which is due by March 1st.

VII Report of Executive Board Actions – The E-Board voted to put forward Julie Hughes as our chapter Unsung Hero for 2016. Julie’s dedication to our chapter is amazing. The document of her
contributions will be available on our Chapter webpage. The annual Recognition event will be held on Saturday, April 9th at Delta College, additional information will be shared when it is available.

VI Communications
- CSEA will be hosting a Communications Academy in San Jose on April 8, 9, & 10. Our Communications Officer Rita Perez applied to attend and has just been notified that she has been accepted.
- CSEA State board meeting will be held on 2/20/16
- There are 11 resolutions that will be discussed at conference this year. The link for the resolutions will be on our website.
- Union Steward 1 training will be held in Merced on 2/27/16, any members interested should register as soon as possible
- Pre-retirement workshop will be held in Modesto on 3/5/16, you can register online CSEA .com or contact Rita for information
- LA Angels vs Dodgers
- Maintenance and Operations Academy will be held.....on ......

VII Committee Reports –
- College Council
  1. MJC – No report at this time. College Council members: CSEA Representatives Tanya Smith, Lakiesha McDonald, and Debbi Partridge; CSAC Representative June Hunt
  2. Columbia – Luisa Adams reported much time was spent on the College Mission Statement; Brian Sanders reported on enrollment, Columbia looks promising but enrollment district wide is down.
- District Council Report – Debbi Partridge reported from the 1/27/16 meeting. Debbi Partridge and Donna Yarnal are the CSEA representatives on District Council. Chancellor Smith reported that FTES’s are short of their target and she feels we are missing a student population from online classes and urges the colleges to develop more online classes. Marc Beam reported on the District Strategic Plan, Goal 4 is Quality Staff
- Facilities Council – Angie Vizcarra reported that the sample benches they were evaluating for Founders Hall have been rejected, they were too wide. Exterior painting on east and west campus will start soon; roads project on west campus has been impacted by the weather.
- Negotiations – Chief Negotiator Sherri Suarez reported that Benefit Committee meetings are being scheduled, we should hear from SISC by mid-April what the costs will be. A negotiation opener is being developed by Sherri & Wendy. The entire contract is open this year. Once it is created it will be sent to CSEA for approval then to the membership for a vote at the March Chapter meeting. The survey results have been posted on the CSEA Chapter 420 website. Thank you to Wendy Hesse for gathering the information and presenting it in an easy to understand format.

VIII Unfinished Business – Welcome back/Happy New Year Party – this was discussed as we did not have our typical Holiday Social in December. However as we are involved in the MUP program and it does not pay for all the expenses we will use those funds for social and networking events, will mostly cover
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the cost of food. Several events are being planned for the 3rd week in May, CSEW. Member Unity Program is in full swing, we have members out making one on one contacts with our membership. Community events are being planned as well as the final events during CSEW. Theme: You are an essential piece of our puzzle!

IX New Business --

• Official voting results from 2/5/16 – tabled to next meeting
• Vote for Alternate Area E Director – There are 3 candidates running for the state level office of Alternate Area E Director, Carmen Alessandro employed by State Center College; Carlo Morin employed by Yosemite High School/Merced Union High School District and Adam Uplinger employed by Oakdale Joint Unified School District; Debbi read their statements and they will be available on our chapter website. We will hold a vote at the March Chapter meeting, the majority votes will be the chapter’s one vote.
• Bank Signatures – Remove Past President Baljinder Gill and retired Treasurer Carol Ellis from the bank signature card. Add to the signature card: Treasurer Julie Hughes, President Debbi Partridge, 1st Vice President Tanya Smith and Secretary Judy Wagner.

X Announcements –

• Wendy Hesse and Sherri Suarez will be attending the CSEA training Health Benefits University on 2/22 & 2/23.
• Our chapter will participate in the Easter See’s candy fundraiser again this year; information will be out early next week.
• Luisa Adams and Sounisa Lee have been appointed as the Chapter’s Pre Retirement Resource Persons. We are fortunate to have members volunteer from the two different sites, this will benefit our membership.
• Save the date – Monday March 21st at 5pm East Campus Student Center Staff Dining Room – Member of the Year Celebration for Debbi Partridge who was honored in 2015. Pizza Party!
• March Chapter meeting will be held on Thursday March 17th at 5pm. Agenda items include voting for the Alternate Area E Director, voting on the negotiations opener and we will be accepting nominations for delegates to attend the annual conference. President Partridge will chair the meeting from Columbia College.

XI Good of the Order –

• Wendy Hesse referred to the article in the newsletter on Working to Rule. This means working according to the contract. Understaffed departments cannot show a need if members donate their time. This undocumented time is coming in early, working through breaks and lunch and working late and coming to work sick. Work with your manager to curb your hours back to the hours for which you get paid.
• Debbi purchased a game called “Strike”, it is a union themed game that may be fun to play during our social gatherings.

XII Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.