

The meeting was called to order at 3:47 p.m. by Loren Myhill in Julie Ames absence

**1. Secretary Roll Call-** Chris Off called the roll and a voting quorum was established. 11/18 rep. council and executive board members were in attendance. These included: **Mary Burton, Tom Rotunno, Nancy Hollenbeck, Mike Rainis, Ruth Ramirez, Maria Martinez, Michael Kashdan, Sonia Torres and Beth Orlik along with exec. board members Marcia Garten, Loren Myhill and Chris Off.** Excused rep. council and officers included, **Julie Ames, Diana Freeman and Allison Carey.** **Absent members included: Mary Jane Roberts, Dinah Ismail, and Martin Juarez.** Please bring new members to the next meeting April 11th to get a gift card for the first time attendee member and yourself! The group welcomed Julie Lemond from Special Schools to her first meeting and thanks to Tom Rotunno for inviting her. Members were provided a raffle ticket upon entering the meeting and Sonia Torres won the raffle gift card at the end. Congrats Sonia!

**2. Approve Minutes-** Copies of the minutes from the February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 meeting were available for review and the minutes were approved.

**3. Treasurer’s Report:** Treasurer Marcia Garten made available the monthly Treasurer’s report. Marcia welcomes anyone to look at the financial books if they have questions at any time. Please make your request by calling Marcia at 714-796-8748. The report was approved.

**4. Vice President Report:** Vice President Loren Myhill stated we have 334 bargaining unit members based on the OCDE payroll roster. Three new counselors have been hired and we welcome them. Loren also reviewed the CTA website and encouraged members to sign up on [www.cta.org](http://www.cta.org) to get your email and home addresses current with the organization. Please go online to avail yourselves of the many discounts that CTA offers.

**5. President’s Report:**

- a) **Bargaining Update-**1<sup>st</sup>-IBPS meeting will be held on 3/15/16 with two openers and health benefits and compensation.
- b) **Prop 30** which will be sunsetting in 2017. The governor is asking for the measure to be put back on the ballot and for it to be permanent.....
- c) **Friedrich’s vs. CTA Fact Sheet talking points-**

**6. Committee Reports:**

- a) **ADA Committee**—nothing to report at his time
- b) **By Laws-Committee up at CTA being reviewed, Standing rules-committee will meet in March**
- c) **Calendar Committee-there were no choices this year, Allison to email comments to committee**
- d) **Election Committee Update-** The OCSEA officer positions for the school year of 2016-2018 will be voted upon in this coming election. John will send out an email with details. Beth Orlik will be the contact person if you don’t receive a ballot. Any member can nominate for OCSEA President, Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary. There is a form to fill out for nominating that will be included in the email. A candidate may also submit a statement. Work emails are not to be used for campaigning. Loren suggested that a second email be sent out as a reminder to cast your vote.

John Wells provided the OCSEA Officer Election Timeline

Open nominations (16days)	Tuesday, March 15, 2016
Nominations and Candidate Statements	Thursday, March 31, 2016
Ballots mailed North Brookhurst site 9872 Chapman Ave # 100-C Garden Grove	Wednesday, April 6, 2016
Ballots must be received by (20 days)	Tuesday, April 26, 2016
Post office box emptied	Wednesday, April 27, 2016

Ballots counted 4:00 p.m. Wednesday April 27, 2016  
At OUEA Office 1224 East Katella Ave. #203  
(Cross street- California St. 2 story building behind F & M Bank

Results emailed to all OCSEA members immediately after counting is concluded.

If runoff is required:

Ballots mailed Wednesday, May 4, 2016  
Ballots must be received by Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016 (20 days)  
Post Office Emptied Wednesday, May 25, 2016  
Ballots counted 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 25, 2016

Election committee members

John Wells, chair  
Beth Orlik\* contact person for missed ballots  
Mike Kashdan  
Amber Hughes  
Sandra Curtis  
Gabriella Jones  
Laurie Martinez  
Jacky Kriskey  
Mairead Kennely

e) **Grievance Committee**- Lauren stated that the current grievance is still looking for arbitrators.

f) **Health Benefits Review Committee** – one meeting has been cancelled and will meet next month. Nothing to report at this time

g) **Internet/Blog Committee**-nothing to report

h) **Membership committee**-the blue shirt polo orders have been placed and should be available to distribute at the next meeting. Soon, OCSEA VP and membership will have access to CTA 360 which is a mobile App to streamline our membership lists- to order missing cards, update addresses, etc.

i) **Political Action Committee (PAC)** The committee has interviews in May to interview local OCDE school board candidates. 17 members have sent letters to opt out of the \$1.00 per month donation for the PAC. Marcia moved that OCSEA transfer funds to the OCSEA PAC (2 different funds) for a formal donation of \$3,000 to the PAC fund for start up budget. This would help cover the cost of letters, printing, refreshments for the candidates. Ruth Ramirez seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. A vote was taken with no one opposed, 1 abstention and the motion carried.

j) **Retirement**-no retirees announced yet

k) **Social Committee**-OSCEA North Happy Hour went very well with 11 attendees

Next Happy Hour is in South- April 8<sup>th</sup> –hosted by Mike Rainis at the Fisherman’s –San Clemente Pier 4 p.m. Please come and meet your fellow members in a fun, informal environment. Bring any questions you might have for your rep council representative.

l) **Special Ed Committee**-nothing to report

Conference Updates- Liz Wilson reported out about the Issues conference.

Region IV conference-San Diego -9 attendees, March 18-20

Future meeting dates during the day for OCDE Board meetings are:

•April 11, 2016

- May 11, 2016
- June 8, 2016
- June 22, 2016

**7. CONFERENCE SCHEDULE SIGN UPS** –Please email Loren and Marcia about space at a conference before signing up due to the 10 member limit. At that point sign up if space is available and indicate that OCSEA will pay for the conference. Lodging, food and transportation will be paid for by the member and reimbursed. Gather receipts and provide to Marcia after any conference using the check reimbursement form. It will be posted online to print out. Look at [www.cta.org](http://www.cta.org) for conference updates. The Las Vegas Issues conference- Jan. 15-17<sup>th</sup> has the following 10 OCSEA members signed up:

Chris Off  
Michelle Moran  
Sonia Torres  
Marcia Garten  
Diana Freeman  
Mary Burton  
Allison Carey  
Beth Orlik  
Liz Wilson  
Nancy Hollenbeck

Good Teaching Conference South –Feb 26-28, 2016-Hyatt Regency, Garden Grove

**8. Old Business:** PAC Formation-Marcia Garten reported out on the PAC Exploration Committee progress. (Political Action Committee). It was noted that the PAC committee should get language together and send to the By-law committee. The By-Law committee needs to review language, makes recommendations and bring the results of the PAC committee to the executive board and rep council. PAC Committee volunteers are John Wells, Marcia Garten, Liz Wilson and Ruth Ramirez to work on the language. A PAC would give us a voice as Orange County has not had one at the county level.

Thanks to rep council member Ruth Ramirez for October snacks-delicious! Ruth volunteered to provide themed snacks for this upcoming year. Beth Orlik will provide snacks for November as Ruth will not be available that day.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Next meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month except February @ 3:30 at 281 North Rampart St. Suite A., Orange, CA 92868  
**Meetings for 2015-2016 (Subject to change)** November 10, December 14, 2015, January 11, February 1, or February 22, March 14, April 11, May 9, and June 13, 2016.