

**United Educators of San Francisco  
Special Executive Board**  
Wednesday, August 30, 2006, 4:15 p.m.  
**Minutes**

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**Order of Business**

**Agenda**

1. Roll Call.....Roberto Michel, Sergeant at Arms

**Special Orders of Business – COPE Report**

1. Endorsement of Candidates for Board of Education ..... Ken Tray

Brother Tray explained the endorsement process. He described how the balloting went at the COPE meeting. Bob Twomey received the required two-thirds of the vote on the first ballot. On the third ballot, Hydra Mendoza came in first, Kim Shree Maufus came in second, and Jane Kim came in third. The COPE meeting voted to recommend to the Executive Board that it endorse Bob Twomey and two of the three top vote-getters in the third round of balloting.

M/S/C to endorse Bob Twomey.

M/S to endorse Hydra Mendoza and Kim Shree Maufus.

Substitute motion: M/S to endorse Kim Shree Maufus and Jane Kim.

Request from a member that the candidates be voted on ad seriatum. (This does not require a vote.)

M/S/C to overrule the chair, who ruled Susan Solomon out of order. The result of this motion is that members were able to speak about any candidate during the discussion, including those who were not named in the motion or substitute motion being considered.

M/S/C to allow Jeremiah Jeffries to speak.

M/S/C to extend debate for two minutes.

F, substitute motion to endorse Kim Shree Maufus and Jane Kim.

M/S/C to endorse Kim Shree Maufus and Hydra Mendoza.

M/S/C to reconsider.

M/S/C unanimously to endorse Kim Shree Maufus

M/S/C with three abstentions to endorse Hydra Mendoza.

Confusion about the interpretation of the ad seriatum process.

2. M/S/C with one abstention Endorsement of Proposition A ..... Dennis Kelly

Whereas Proposition A on the November 2006 ballot in San Francisco is a measure that will generate \$450 million dollars for school repairs and upgrades, and

Whereas there is no other source of funding for such work, and

Whereas the issue is compounded by the Lopez decision that mandates certain work to comply with Americans With Disabilities Act provisions and lays out a timetable for accomplishing that work, and

Whereas the district personnel responsible for developing the bond and its network of support have recognized their error in failing to come to UESF for support and have corrected that oversight, and

Whereas students and their educators deserve buildings that are safe and compliant with all applicable codes,

Therefore Be It Resolved that the United Educators of San Francisco endorse and support the efforts to pass Proposition A on the November 2006 ballot.

There was discussion about how and whether Proposition A will benefit schools, and how and whether the money will be spent more wisely than bond money has been spent in the past.

**COPE Expenditures**

- 1. M/S/C San Francisco Labor Council Pre-Labor Day Breakfast (10)..... \$1,500.00

**Reports**

- 1. President..... Dennis Kelly
  - a. M/S/C to accept with regrets the resignation of Lisa-Anne Lee from the Executive Board
  - b. M/S/C Appointment of Daniel Markarian to Executive Board
  - c. Allan Brill and Susan Solomon have been hired as UESF field representatives.
- 2. Executive Vice-President .....Linda Plack
  - a. UESF cannot use Sanchez Elementary School for meetings this year, nor can Civic Center High School at John Swett be used.
  - b. UESF Training: there were sessions on August 23 and 24. 45 schools, 85 participants. very well received.
  - c. September 30<sup>th</sup> Leadership Conference at Washington High School: since the date announced earlier was September 23, members were encouraged to inform members of the date change. There will be training about union activism and about financial planning. **(ADD more here.)**
  - d. Student placement came up as a first reading at the last school board meeting. One part of the resolution included priority for children to attend the schools at which their teachers work, which has been an interest of UESF members. However, there is also a San Francisco residency requirement. UESF would like to see paraprofessionals' children included and would like to see the residency requirement dropped.

Sister Plack and Brother Kelly met with Jeannie Pon, among others, and raised the concerns about the dress code about which many members have been told. Pon immediately called in all the principals' expectations, a highly unusual event. When questioned about whether UESF tee shirts were targeted, Tom Ruiz said no, that is a free speech issue like wearing political buttons.

A request was made to have a program for the a Leadership Conference available ahead of time to encourage members to attend. Some things:

Meet the candidates; training; get to know the new parts of your contract; new members  
Bradley was scheduled for surgery today.

- 3. Committee Reports (As Needed)
  - a. Social Committee.....Susan Solomon  
There was a TGIF at El Valenciano.

**New Business**

**Old Business**

**Good of the Order / Announcements : march and rally at 10:00 for immigrants' grants.**

***Adjournment: 6:07 p.m.***