

sdta HOTLINE

March 15, 2016

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Message from the President

Thank you all for the support you showed our bargaining team on March 9th. It was great to see pictures of so many of you showing your SDTA spirit on our campuses and hopefully you felt the strength in unity as you and your colleagues sported your tshirts, pins, and shiny green beads. If you aren't already a member of our FaceBook Group, join at <http://www.facebook.com/groups/mySDTA> to check out the pictures taken around the district.

I also have heard positive feedback from the "brown bag lunch" meetings held at some sites. This is something our Organizing Team hopes can become a monthly event, giving members a chance to get out of their classrooms and come together while staying "in the loop" with SDTA business and site concerns.

We're back at the table on April 13th, so get that green ready!

-Edith Salvatore

BARGAINING BEGINS

The first day of negotiations between SDTA and the District took place on Wednesday, March 9th. After some good discussion around norms and expectations, the meeting consisted largely in a discussion of SDTA's proposal and clarifying questions raised by the District.

The teams will return to the table to continue this discussion on April 13th, with additional meetings scheduled for April 28th, May 11th and May 24th. While details of bargaining discussions are confidential, we will update reps and members as official proposals are made.

What SDTA Means to Me

Julia Schulman, Carlmont

I am a proud SDTA member. My union protects my day-to-day rights, so that I can impartially grade and teach my class with confidence. My union works hard to bring me a salary that I can live on and health care I can depend on. I have needed to use my health care benefits quite a few times during my teaching career, and I have been able to know that my kids are cared for and I am not going to go into huge medical debt because of my illness.

TIME TO RUN FOR OFFICE?

If you are interested in running for office as either an SDTA site rep or executive officer, please complete the Declaration of Candidacy form on the back of this Hotline. Site reps can answer your questions.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

• RETIREMENT WORKSHOP RESCHEDULED!

The Planning for Retirement Workshop has been rescheduled. There will be two dates: **Wednesday, March 23rd or Thursday, March 24th**. Both will be held from **4:30-6:30** at the CTA Headquarters Building at 1705 Murchison Drive in Burlingame. Please **RSVP to GGSCC@cta.org or ask for Lynne at (650) 552-5571**. When you RSVP, be sure to give your full name, which day you would like to attend, and tell them you are an SDTA member.

• CTA GOOD TEACHING CONFERENCE

April 15th – 17th The CTA Good Teaching Conferences are designed to support excellent teaching and learning practices for classroom teachers. They offer a variety of diverse workshops in curriculum content areas for K-12 teachers, provide opportunities for professional development and offer time to network and share ideas with colleagues and experts in the field. For more information and to register for the conference, visit cta.org/en/Professional-Development/Events/Conferences.aspx

SDTA has 3 remaining scholarships if you are interested in attending. Please contact the office at sdta2@sbcglobal.net and leave your name and worksite.

• SPECIAL EDUCATION WORKSHOP

APRIL 14TH from 4pm-6pm at our CTA Headquarters building in Burlingame. This workshop is intended to help Special and General Educators "unwrap" the impact and implications of state and federal special education law and is open to all members. Topics covered will include Teacher Rights, IEPs, Discipline, Changes to Service Delivery, Collaboration Discussion, and Response to Intervention. If you are interested in attending, please **RSVP to alaxa@cta.org or 650-552-5561 by April 8th**.

DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY FOR OFFICE

I hereby declare that the undersigned intends to be a candidate for the office of:

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>TERM OF OFFICE</u>
_____ SDTA President	August 2016- June 2018
_____ SDTA Vice President	August 2016- June 2018
_____ SDTA Secretary	August 2016- June 2018
_____ SDTA Treasurer	August 2016- June 2018
_____ SDTA Legislative Council Representative	August 2016- June 2018

I certify that I am a member in good standing of SDTA.

Date _____ Signed _____

Signature of candidate if this form is completed by a member nominating another member.

Date _____ Signed _____

Please print:

Name as you wish it to appear on the ballot: _____

School: _____ Home Address: _____

City / Zip: _____ City / Zip: _____

School Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

This declaration must be received at the SDTA office, 555 Veterans Blvd., #104, Redwood City, CA 94063, or by fax (650-365-0826) **no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, March 18, 2016.** (Post-marked date not accepted.)

<http://www.facebook.com/groups/MySDTA>

Your SDTA Site Reps:

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Joseph Hill
Cary Milia*
Hai Nguyen
Genevieve Tep
Carolyn Wade*
Kelly Redmon *(communications)*

Menlo-Atherton
Tim Bowler*
Manuel Delgado
Karina Escobar-
Weaver
Tania Kranzler*
Patrick Maier
Mike Molieri
Liane Strub

Sequoia
Belén Álvarez-Iglesias
Debolina Dutta
Guadalupe Navarrete
Octavio Rodriguez
Edith Salvatore*
Jasmine Schimek
Dylan Shelley*
Kate Sheehan

Woodside
Adele Alvarez
Rick DeFrancesco
Greg Gruszynski*
Diana House
Alexandrina Pretto
Marian Welch
Felicia Yang
**bargaining team rep*

Redwood
Javier Galaviz*
Mike Martin
Maureen Svenson
District Office
(available opening)
EPAA
Tamesha Wise

Names in bold face are up for re-election in 2016.

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