

Anaheim Elementary Education

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The vision for AEEA is to build strength through unity, growth in leadership, and increased participation by providing service, support, and advocacy for members' rights. *AEEA Executive Board, July 28, 2008*

RECENT AND CURRENT EVENTS

Twenty-five AEEA bargaining unit members will be leaving our ranks and entering the world of retirement. AEEA appreciates the passage by the ACSD school board of the PARS (Public Agency Retirement Services) early retirement incentive program. We wish you all the best as you near the start of another chapter in your life, but you will be missed by many. Any residual impact regarding vacancies and temporary teachers moving into probationary status is still to be determined. Such determination will likely take place sometime after the onset of the 2013-2014 school year. This is difficult for our temporary teachers so hopefully you can remain compassionate and temporary teachers can remain patient.

Thank you for participating in the survey regarding the WAMI. The responses can be summed up as follows: a district wide celebration needs to continue to honor retirees and the cost of the event has been prohibitive. With that in mind, a joint committee met on April 10 to coordinate an event for this year. Look for more details.

Election results are listed on the reverse side of this newsletter. AEEA Leadership appreciates the work of conducting elections by Site Reps and the Elections Committee and the voting of members. Thank you to all the candidates too!

Dr. Wagner is here in ACSD now. AEEA welcomes her again! You will likely see her at your school site or work location soon!

WHO – WE HONOR OURS

CTA Annual Recognition Event

AEEA Leadership has nominated and selected AEEA Vice President, Cathy Rodriguez, as AEEA's 2013 WHO recipient. Cathy is best described as and well known for being spunky, full of fire, opinionated, energetic, loves sweet cookies (especially the inexpensive-grocery store brands), red licorice, seasonal candies, and for using "flowery" adult language! Cathy doesn't take any guff, is progressive, and loves Bill Maher.

Literally an AEEA institution, Cathy has been an active association member for over 25 years, an elected leader for over a decade, and has served on almost every possible AEEA committee, most notably over 20 years on the Insurance Committee. She advocated for quality and affordable health benefits for us all for years! Cathy's contributions and dedication are unparalleled! Basically every site Cathy has been a part of is known for 100% AEEA membership! Cathy Rodriguez will be greatly missed by AEEA and many in ACSD. Thank you so very much for all you have done Cathy!!!

QUICK NOTES

- ✓ **AEEA EBOARD ELECTION RESULTS** – 461 ballots were cast – elected with the following votes: Kristen Fisher, President (456); Lynn Vincent, Vice President (449); Monica Montoya Robles, Area Director (392); Amy Asaoka-Nakakihara, Area Director (370); Jenn Guerra, State Council (449); Dennis Haessly, State Council Alternate (448). A special election must be conducted for the AEEA Secretary's one year, remainder of term. Notices have been sent to all members.
- ✓ **CANNED FOOD DRIVE** – In conjunction with CTA chapters around the Orange County area, *Families Forward* is sponsoring a canned food drive. (Cereal, pasta, canned goods, and/or gift cards to grocery stores are all welcome.) Bring donations to the AE Office or coordinate with your Site Rep for the collection. The drive ends May 16, 2013.
- ✓ **AEEA Texts** – Send Sam Castellano or Kristen your cell phone number. Texts are sent occasionally regarding important AEEA updates, reminders, and information.
- ✓ **Discount movie tickets** are available for purchase at the office.

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GOT A T-SHIRT?

If you haven't purchased your \$3.00 **AEEA4US** T-shirt yet, there are supplies on hand at the AE office. Contact Kristen for info!



March Rep Council

Schools Represented:

Barton Edison Franklin
Gauer Guinn
Juarez Lincoln Loara
Madison Olive Street
Orange Grove Palm Lane
Ponderosa Roosevelt
Ross Westmont

Schools not represented:

Henry Jefferson Mann Marshall
Price Revere Stoddard Sunkist
Sorry we missed you; hope to see you next time!

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 15	AEEA Executive Board @ 4:00 and Tax Day
April 22	EL Master Plan/Study Session - 4:30 ACSD School Board @ 6:00
April 29	AEEA Rep Council @ 4:00 Declaration of Candidacy forms due by 4:00 – AEEA Special Remainder of Secretary's Term Election
May 3	Negotiations
May 6 – 14	Special Election Voting
May 13	ACSD School Board – Certificated/ Teachers of the Year Honored
May 14	Special Election Count

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