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# NOTES

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## Keep Public Education Alive

### May 25<sup>th</sup> Pershing Square Rally in L.A.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the May 3<sup>rd</sup> Rally for Education at Bolsa and Pacifica High Schools! The sea of orange t-shirt and sign-carrying members of GGEA, CSEA, GGUSD Board Members, parents, students, and others was inspiring. Public support, as evidenced by the constant horn-honking and waving, is great and helps to reassure that we are on the right track with public education.

If you would like to join thousands of Californians in sending a message to the Governor about preserving public education funds, then this **May 25<sup>th</sup> Rally** is for you! GGEA has reserved 25 seats on a bus that will take you to the Rally in Los Angeles. Space is available on a first call, first reserved basis. For more information, call the GGEA office at #638-7480.

### GGEA Election Results

The GGEA Rules and Elections Committee reported the results for last week's election as follows:

#### GGEA Secretary

Angie Balius 1215 votes

#### High School Segment Director

Lisa Park 197 votes

#### Intermediate Segment Director

Champ Clark 148 votes

#### Elementary Segment Directors

Camilla Devereux 655 votes

Tina Gustin-Gurney 595 votes

#### State Council Representatives

Champ Clark 735 votes out of 1320

Jennifer Closson 662 votes out of 1320

A motion will be made for the results to be ratified at the Rep Council meeting on Tuesday, May 24. GGEA would like to thank all of our Association Reps for their assistance in conducting the election at the work sites and the Rules and Elections Committee for their help in the election process. Thank you to all the candidates who ran for office and congratulations to those members who were elected.

## Transfer Postings

Vacant certificated positions in the district will be will be posted (Contract Article 10.4) at each work site, the district office, and the GGEA office on the following dates:

- The second Monday in May
- The second Monday in June
- The second Monday in July
- The first and third Monday in August

Furthermore, employees wishing to apply for a vacancy must file an application with the Office of Personnel Services within five (5) workdays of the date of posting. By the end of the five (5) additional workdays, the employee shall be notified of a time and place of interview for each vacancy for which he/she had been considered. Those not interviewed shall be notified in writing with the reason stated. Within ten (10) days after the position has been filled, every employee who applied will be notified in writing of the decision (Contract Article 10.8).

For additional questions, please refer to your contract (Article 10), speak to your site representative, or call the GGEA office at #638-7480.

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## Involuntary Transfer due to Enrollment Decline

Should a reduction in the numbers of employees in a school become necessary, the reduction may be accomplished by an employee volunteering to be transferred from the school (Contract Article 10.10).

Without a volunteer, an involuntary transfer shall be based upon length of service in the District, experience, credential, and major and minor fields of study. Under normal circumstances, the employee with the least service in the district shall be transferred first.

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## Project H.O.P.E. Needs Donations

Project H.O.P.E. of Garden Grove is a non-profit organization founded in 1997 by Gayle Knight to assist disadvantaged families, particularly those comprised of single mothers with children, many of whom have escaped from an abusive environment. Clients receive assistance with food, clothing, furniture, personal hygiene products, and baby products and diapers. In addition to meeting their client's basic physical needs, H.O.P.E. believes strongly in empowering them to change their circumstances through job training, financial literacy, health education, parenting classes and mentoring programs.

We supported Project H.O.P.E. with a collection drive this past holiday season. However, requests for assistance are ongoing year-round. Project H.O.P.E. has urgent needs for **diapers** (sizes 3, 4, 5, 6, & Pull Ups), **shampoo** (Baby's, Children's, Adult's), and any fast food **gift certificates**. Donations can be dropped off at the GGEA office. For more information, call #638-7480. Thank you in advance for your help!