CSUEU – CHAPTER 315
CHAPTER MEETING

Paycheck Deception Meeting
Thursday, September 29, 2011, 12:00 pm
Pyramid Annex 2nd Floor

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OFFICERS PRESENT

Peggy O’Neil-Rosales, President, Janine Licausi, Secretary, Toni Kukreja, Bargaining Unit 7 Representative, Matthew Black, Bargaining Unit 9 Representative, Janet Gonzales, Organizing Chair and 6 members.

OFFICERS ABSENT

Denitra Jones, Treasurer, and Rosalva Guzman, Bargaining Unit 5 Representative.

OFFICERS EXCUSED

Richard Duarte, Vice President and Chief Steward.

GUESTS

Alex Soluk, Labor Relations Representative

CALL TO ORDER

President O’Neil-Rosales called the meeting to order at 12:07 pm.

PETITION SIGNATURE COLLECTIONS

Peggy O’Neil-Rosales, President stated: (Summary)
- UC Santa Barbara professor created the Paycheck Deception Petition. She is collecting signatures for the November ballot next year.
- Our pensions are also under attack, limit retirement to 60% no matter how long you work; retirement will consider the highest three years, not just one; There is a CALPers vote pending we are watching this daily.
- Signature collectors are paid for each signature.
Toni Kukreja, Bargaining Unit 7 Representative stated: (Summary)

- State employees are under attack.
- Corporations can donate to politicians yet they want to limit union’s donations. They want to silence us. They want to oppress our voice.
- When you are asked to sign a petition always read it completely.
- Report signature collectors on campus to a Chapter 315 officer or call the SIEU Hotline 1-877-440-9585.
- People collecting signatures are not always honest or using the information for legal purposes.
- The Paycheck Deception campaign is to limit our strength in the political arena.

Janine Licausi, Secretary stated: (Summary)

- Richard Duarte and I ran petition signature collectors off campus during an attack on our pensions. The kids collecting the signatures didn’t even understand what they were collecting for. One of the kids’ mother is a teacher and didn’t realize what he was doing was affecting her.
- One day I went to the market, I was reading a petition when a group of Spanish speaking shoppers approached. The signature collectors were telling them what the petition was, not knowing I spoke Spanish, they were not telling the truth. I stood there for a couple of hours discrediting them and encouraging people not to sign and they finally left.

Power Point Presentation - Janet Gonzales, Organizing Chair: (Summary)

- Proposition Process: create, gather signatures, validate signatures, place on the ballot and then election.
- We aren’t telling members how to vote, but just to be more aware.
- All of this information will be on our web site, including Frequently Asked Questions.
- The Paycheck Initiative requires that members renew their paycheck deductions annually. This makes it more difficult for union’s to get contributions.
- Call a Chapter 315 officer or call the SEIU hotline at 1-877-440-9585 to report anyone collecting signatures on campus.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Janine Licausi and Seconded by Joe Mishica

**MSC** – To adjourn at 12:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Janine Licausi, Secretary

The minutes are a draft and not yet approved.