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**CSEA Chapter 535  
Riverside Community College**

*Minutes of Regular Chapter Meeting  
December 19, 2008*

**Members Present:**

See attached attendance rosters from Moreno Valley, Norco and Riverside

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 12:35 p.m. by Chapter President Gustavo Segura; the flag salute followed.

**Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes from the November chapter meeting were distributed by email for review prior to the meeting. Jackie Grippin moved to accept the minutes as written; Judy Hill seconded the motion. Opposed 0/abstentions 0. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**

The treasurer's report for November 2008 was filed. There was a question about the bank was charging a monthly fee again. Treasurer Kollar said she had spoken with a representative of the bank and was told that a fee must be charged for the type of account we have.

**Unfinished Business**

Negotiations Update

Louie McCarthy reported that the CSEA negotiations committee had finished submitting their proposal, and the District administration seems to be playing ball finally. They are considering a counter proposal. There were no questions.

E-Board Election Results

A secret ballot election for Moreno Valley and Riverside members-at-large was held today, and the results were reported as follows:

**Moreno Valley**

Ignacio Alvarez        6  
Lori Fiedler            5

**Riverside**

Tara McCarthy            9  
Patricia (Patsy) Martinez    7

Tara McCarthy was elected as member-at-large for Riverside Campus, and Ignacio Alvarez was elected as member-at-large for Moreno Valley Campus.

There is still a vacancy for campus vice president for Moreno Valley Campus. A special meeting will be held in January at which nominations will be accepted for this position and a secret ballot vote will be conducted during the meeting.

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## **New Business**

### CSEA Chapter 535 2009 Budget Proposal

Treasurer Pam Kollar distributed the CSEA Chapter 535 2009 Budget proposal, and addressed related questions. This proposal demonstrates a negative ending balance, because it is based on \$2/month dues. Chapter members approved a dues increase to \$3/month in October; once the State approves it an amended budget proposal will be submitted. This budget proposal will give us an operating budget so that we can conduct business in the interim.

Nate Finney moved to approve the proposal with one correction (*Taxi Services \$35-\$40 and trip to airport/hotel*). Wendy Alcazar seconded the motion. Opposed: 0. Abstentions: 0.

### State Budget Update


At President Segura's request, Vice Chancellor of Finance, Dr. Jim Buysse, was present to speak to the chapter membership about the condition of the state budget. He reported that there is a "staggering" problem with the state budget, the worst that he has seen since he came to California. When asked if lay-offs were being considered, he replied that the District is not looking at lay-offs at this time. Part-time temporary hourly employees and adjunct faculty will be impacted before permanent staff and faculty. Many things depend on what happens at the state level. He agreed to keep key people abreast of the situation as it develops.

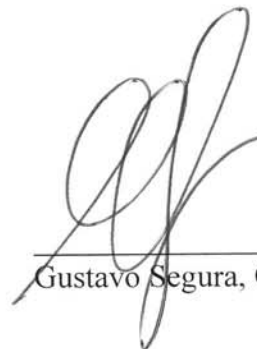
### **Good of the Order**

There was concern that election turnout was extremely low this time. Many people assumed they would be able to vote during the chapter meeting, as they have in the past. Some recommendations for improving turnout: mail out ballots, electronic voting, include off-site locations. These options may not be acceptable per CSEA Policy 618. President Segura indicated that he will bring these options to the Executive Board for further exploration during the coming year.

President Segura pointed out several important dates for training and other events (see agenda). The events will be posted to the website for future reference.

This meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

  
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Jackie Grippin, Chapter Secretary

  
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Gustavo Segura, Chapter President