

WDEA Representative Council Minutes

April 9, 2020

Site Reps in Attendance- Zoom Meeting, Attendance not taken

March 2020 Minutes- Approved

Treasurer's Report- Will be in the May Minutes

President's Report- The grading policy that we need to follow to meet California Department of Education guidelines will be interesting. Students may not do much work because they know their grades won't go down. Tony Thurmond has been working with CTA through this process. WDEA has a good relationship with the District so we have been working well together. The district budget will have changes due to COVID-19. We will have more information after the May Revise, which we will hear about on May 15.

LCAP- There was no meeting but LCAP was discussed at the board meeting. Some of the questions may be changed.

WDEA Scholarship- Marilyn is working on it.

Climate Resolution Update- Is not moving forward as expected. Put it on next month's agenda.

Site Concerns- Distance learning is difficult for many teachers and students. There is frustration with accessing and knowing how to use the technology. For younger students, this way of learning is not developmentally appropriate which adds more frustration. In some cases, teachers would prefer to send out packets to solve these problems but the district is saying no. Many students cannot access Zoom meetings due to timing and family needs. The district cannot force teachers to record and post Zoom meetings. There is concern about what happens to teacher videos once they are public. Everyone misses the contact with other people.

Teachers may incur expenses due to Wi-Fi upgrade needs, printing costs, etc. Keep track of legitimate expenses and WDEA will talk to the district about reimbursement.

Superintendent Search- Two strong candidates emerged from interviews.