

# El Dorado County Citizens for a University

Wednesday, August 24, 2016

3:00 PM

Conference Room A,  
330 Fair Lane, Building A  
Placerville, CA 95667

## Minutes

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### 1. Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order by Cherie Raffety at 3:20 PM.

### 2. Roll Call

Present: Anthony Gonzales, John Knight, Cherie Raffety, Gabe Thomas, and Ellen Yevdakimov.

### 3. Introduction of New Citizens

Cherie Raffety introduced Anthony Gonzales, who is the “new” Beverly Savage and will be taking minutes of meetings beginning today and in the future.

### 4. Adoption of Agenda and Approval of the August 10, 2016, Minutes

Agenda was approved by affirmation. A Motion was made by E. Yevdakimov and seconded by G. Thomas to Approve the Minutes of August 10, 2016.

Yes: J. Knight, C. Raffety, G. Thomas, E. Yevdakimov and A. Gonzales.

### 5. Member Reports and Updates

John Knight informed the Citizens that he had spoken with Brian King, Chancellor of Los Rios College District.

John stated that he had investigated the “Promise Program.” He informed the Citizens that the Promise Program is a program in which the City of Rancho Cordova has promised \$100,000.00 toward scholarships for citizens of Rancho Cordova. John feels that we need to look into El Dorado County and/or the City of Placerville promising money toward scholarships and perhaps sharing the pledged amount 50/50 percent.

Gabe Thomas handed out article entitled “Tough Job If You Can Keep It” written by Susanna Cooper, Managing Director of ‘Wheelhouse’ at U.C. Davis School of Education.

Cherie Raffety stated that we need to contact the following agencies in regards to attracting nursing students to El Dorado County:

1. Marshall Hospital,
2. Eskaton Village (Palmer & Ponte Palmero sites),
3. Gold Country Retirement (skilled nurses to semi-independent living),
4. The Pines at Placerville Healthcare Center,
5. Blue Shield (they hire nurses to review medical claims).

John Knight said he would prepare a comprehensive list. Gabe Thomas suggested we contact agencies that refer nurses to the various facilities. Ellen Yevdakimov stated that she will contact the Retired Teachers' Association as they may have suggestions of other agencies we should contact.

#### 6. Community Outreach

Cherie Raffety updated the Citizens on the work that she and Anthony Gonzales have been doing regarding setting up a table at the doors of Wal-Mart to collect signatures on petitions. The personnel at Wal-Mart informed the Citizens that all weekends were open for setting up a table except for September 24-25, 2016, as the Marines had reserved that weekend for recruitment. Anthony Gonzales noted that September 3-5, 2016, is Labor Day weekend and Ellen Yevdakimov reminded everyone that "Gold Rush Week" is from September 10-17, 2016, and most people would be attending events in downtown Placerville and other sites.

Cherie stated that she and Anthony would contact Walmart about the month of October to gather signatures at the doors and that they would send out a mass e-mail to the Citizens regarding possibly setting up the table in October.

#### 7. Petitions of Support – Status Report

Paper Signatures: 188. (No updated count available. However there were several pages of signatures were turned in.)

Electronic Signatures: 60

#### 8. Report from Subgroups

The Envisioning Document Subgroup has met and is still working on their revision of the document. Will need an update from Dave Johnston about the status of the location and the date(s) of their next meeting.

Due to unfortunate circumstances, the Roadshow Subgroup has not met. The Roadshow Subgroup is composed of Terry Gherardi, Beverly Savage, and Todd White.

#### 8. Next Meeting

The next meeting is September 7, 2016, Conference Room A, Building A.

#### 9. The meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.