

Secretary's Report  
CSEA Board and Annual meeting  
June 20-26, 2011

Prior to the annual meeting, CSEA offered education at reasonable fee and networking with other EAs on the golf course and in the bowling alley. There was also a silent auction, which raised over \$1500 in scholarships for the CSEA Education Foundation.

On Thursday June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011 at 1pm President Kim Kastl called to order the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting's General session. During the first order of business the Membership approved changes to the bylaws in half a dozen places to allow for voting by electronic ballot and for electronic notification of elections and other business.

Next came the Nominating Committee report which presented their slate of officers:

President:	Jean Nelsen EA
First Vice President:	Raven Deerwater EA
Second Vice President	Patricia Kappen EA
Treasurer	Cap Porterfield EA
Secretary	Andy Stamatelatos EA

All of these candidates were elected by the Membership.

Following the Annual Meeting, Patti Kappen EA, Chair of the Bylaws Committee, called the Caucus to order; however, no business came before the Caucus

After a break, the Town Hall meeting explored new ways to deliver online education (from video to MP3). There was also a discussion of the costs of these delivery systems.

That evening, at the annual Gala Celebration Banquet, the Directors and Officers were installed by Sherrill Trovato, EA, President of NAEA. The following awards were also given at the Banquet:

President's Award - the Honorable Mimi Walters, California State Senator

Professional Associate Award - Tim Elkins

Enrolled Agent of the Year Award - Gary Anspach, EA

PIA Award - Peggy Hall, EA

Thomas P. Hess Award - Joanne Anderson, EA

Distinguished Service Award - Vicki Mulak, EA

Chapter of the Year Award - South Bay Chapter

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On Saturday June 25, 2011 Board Meeting called to order by newly elected and installed President Nelsen at 8am. Her opening remarks concerned her eagerness to work with the Board in the upcoming year. She reminded the Board of the new procedures that they had decided to implement during the Board orientation.

The floor was then turned over to 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Raven Deerwater to begin the Strategic discussion (which then would continue On Sunday June 26, 2011). After discussing the Board evaluations of the previous meeting and the previous year, Mr. Deerwater gave a power point presentation of an overview of Strategic Planning. He outlined the strategic plan including the 8 core goals of CSEA.

After the presentation the Board Directors and guests present broke out in five groups to work on two questions. Question 1 asked for participants to

- a. Determine which of eight goals is most under funded. Justify your choice, and
- b. Determine which of the eight goals is most over funded. Justify your choice

The second question for the groups was which of the eight strategic plan goals could produce revenue? Groups were also asked to describe what the 2016-2017 Budget Revenue pie chart will look like.

During Special Order of Business, the Board unanimously approved a motion to join the coalition led by the California Taxpayers Association in supporting AB 1423, a bill that would conform California tax law to the federal RIC Modernization Act of 2010. More information on this and other bills can easily be found at [leginfo.ca.gov](http://leginfo.ca.gov).

The two non-officer members of the Executive Committee were then elected by the Board: Gary Anspach EA North Bay, and Devang Mehta EA Orange County.

In new business, several motions were discussed and acted upon. A motion passed to retain the current method of evaluating the Executive Vice President (EVP) of CSEA. A motion to reimburse the Vice-Chairs during the 2011-2012 year for travel was thoroughly discussed and passed. The Education Committee made two motions, both of which passed. The first motion included travel for Education Chair and EVP to travel to various education events for speaker recruitment, and the second motion was to increase the Education Committee's phone budget.

For the good of the order, the San Gabriel Chapter was thanked for hosting the Annual Meeting. The San Gabriel Chapter then gave the Orange County Chapter \$500 for having the most attendees (18) at the annual meeting business session. Also, close to \$1500 was raised for the CSEA Education Foundation from the Silent Auction during the bowling tournament.

Respectfully Submitted  
Andy Stamatelatos EA  
CSEA Secretary