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Subject: President's Message

Members:

Great turnout at our June 6 membership meeting! Thanks to all who attended. There are a couple of things the Executive Board and I would like to leave you with as this week closes:

1. Strategic Plan

As reported last week, we unveiled our draft Strategic Plan at the membership meeting this week. I am attaching the draft and asking each of you to take some time to read it and give it some thought. The Executive Board wants your input on the strategic initiatives and key strategies. **Please get your comments to us by the end of business Friday, June 15 at the email address below.** Your input will assist the Executive Board in preparing our draft action plan (tactics).

Email your comments to: eaofficers@gmail.com

2. CEO Site Visits

The new round of CEO site visits are underway. I want to encourage you all to attend one of the sessions. Don't be afraid to ask hard questions! Some sample questions have been developed by our Representative Committee. If you would like a copy, please contact your area Representative, Don Duran, or John Blumenson.

3. Pension Aftermath

For your information I've attached two documents regarding the pension and election results from Tuesday's election. 1) a copy of a June 6, 2012 news article from the *New Your Times* reporting on the impacts of the Measure B victories in California, and 2) A report from Cheryl Brown, AFSCME's political director for our region. The implementation of this bad pension measure will have wide-range and potentially devastating effects on public employees nationwide. This measure and those like it will likely end up in the courts, costing both municipalities and public employee unions millions of dollars to litigate. We will all need to continue to keep a watchful eye on this issue.

4. Good and Welfare

- a. Also discussed at our meeting was an opportunity that just came up—with a very quick turnaround: a group outing at the A's/Giants game at 1:05 p.m. on Saturday, June 24. Individuals can purchase tickets at a discounted rate of \$30 each for Plaza level seats (section 228) if we have a group of 25 or more people. **We need to know ASAP—by June 8—this Friday!** If you are interested in tickets, please contact Cathy Paramo right away. We thought it would be fun to get there early and do a tailgate party as well.

- b. Remember to register and attend the **June 14th Inclusion is Advantage Day** which will run from 11:00 – 3:00 in the Lab parking lot. [Register for June 14 Inclusion Is Advantage event](#)

- c. And last, but not least, the District is also sponsoring a screening of the documentary film, **Miss Representation** on Tuesday, June 26 in the HQ Boardroom. See the *News You Can Use* from Thursday, June 7 for details (link below). RSVPs are required as seating is limited. [Special screening June 26: Miss Representation](#)

That's it for now—have a safe and enjoyable weekend!



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