

**Message #11 of 59. Sent: May 5, 2007 at 5:18 pm**  
**Proposal for a Website for CSEA Chapter 2 - Proposal 1**

I want to document what has happened regarding this website. Below is the first proposal I made to Chapter 2, and that Chapter 2 approved:

Proposal for a Website for CSEA Chapter 2

CSEA (<http://www.calcsea.org/>), SEIU (<http://www.seiu.org/>), and SEIU 1000 (<http://www.seiu.org/>) have websites. District Labor Councils (DLC's) of SEIU 1000 also have websites at the local level. Here are some examples, DLC 782 : (<http://www.dlc782.org/>), and DLC 788: (<http://www.dlc788.org/>).

The DLC's use their local websites for many purposes.

- 1 They have information on the history and the size of the union and the DLC.
- 2 They have information about their officers and their executive committee, and how to contact these people.
- 3 They have information about their political concerns.
- 4 They have information about the collective bargaining situation.
- 5 They have information for people who want to help the DLC.
- 6 They have information about their past and future meetings..
- 7 They have information on how to join the union and the DLC.
- 8 They have information on how to contact the DLC.

Just as DLC's use their websites for many purposes, Chapter 2 could use its website for many purposes, Including:

- 1 Information on the history and the size of the union and Chapter 2.
  - 2 Information about their officers and their executive committee, and how to contact these people.
  - 3 Reports from the President, Treasurer, and others can be available.
  - 4 Information about Chapter 2 political concerns.
  - 5 Information about the collective bargaining situation.
  - 6 Information for people who want to help Chapter 2.
- One example, who to send Get Well cards to - information from Lou.
- 7 Information about their past and future meetings. An historical and a planning resource.
  - 8 Information on how to join the union and Chapter 2.
  - 9 Information on how to contact Chapter 2.

Chapter 2 could also use its website for the following purpose:

A moderated email discussion group for instantly posting relevant information and discussion.

I think it is clear that having a website would be a plus. The first part of my proposal is that Chapter 2 plan to implement this website in the near future. The second part of my proposal is that Chapter 2

contract with me to build and maintain their website for one year. I have taken many relevant website college courses, and I have built and maintained several websites. My best reference is the Sacramento Amateur Movie Makers (SAMM) at <http://samm.netfirms.com/> . I have built and maintained this website for several years. I have also built and maintained Sacramento Skating ( <http://www.sacramentoskating.com/> ) for years.

I would build, host, and maintain a website for Chapter 2 for \$1200. The website would be up in three months. It would be useful and good. As time passed, based upon suggestions, I would improve it. If at the end of one year, the website is not satisfactory and valued, I will take it down and refund all the money. After a year the website could easily and cheaply maintained by almost anyone. A local website for Chapter 2. Try it, you'll like it. Just as I have been able to schedule speakers of value to us, I will be able to give us a local website of significant value.

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Message #12 of 59 Sent: Sat May 5, 2007 5:27 pm  
Website Proposal 2

Fellow Chapter 2 Email Group Member,

Below is my second website proposal, which I proposed to Chapter 2, and which Chapter 2 approved:

I have talked with the Union Print Shop (916-326-4396 ). They will not be making and maintaining websites. This was an idea from Louis Brazil. Rommel Hernandez, Manager, has decided not to do it.

I am taking another class at Sacramento City College on web design – Cascading Style Sheets. I am learning to make better websites with cascading style sheets. You can see some of my class progress at: [http://cis.scc.losrios.edu/~cisw304a\\_stu014/](http://cis.scc.losrios.edu/~cisw304a_stu014/)

District Labor Council 789 has paid me to build a website for them. So far they have not sent me any information. While waiting for real information, I am building their website, as my class project, with fictitious data. You can see this at: [http://cis.scc.losrios.edu/~cisw304a\\_stu014/dlc789/index.html](http://cis.scc.losrios.edu/~cisw304a_stu014/dlc789/index.html)

With different colors, somewhat different design, and different pages, as determined by Dick Mesa, President, and others, we could have our

own website soon – if we vote to let me build it.

We voted that we would have a website when we passed part one of my website proposal. The first part of my proposal was that Chapter 2 plan to implement a website in the near future.

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Please note that I have raised the price, which includes design, building, and a year of maintenance and hosting from \$1200 to \$1500.

I hope that we can vote on the second part of my proposal and pass it at our November meeting. Then, if I get the information I need, Chapter 2 can have its own website by early next year.

To prepare for such a possibility, I have scheduled adult education and computer training speakers for our first two 2007 speakers:

January 8, 2nd Monday. Senior Net: Joe D'Alexander, Coordinator of Education

February 5, First Monday. No speaker; bingo.

March 5, First Monday. A. Warren McClaskey Adult Center: Sue Lytle Gilmore, Ph.D., Principal, and Howard Nakamura, Computer Instructor

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Message #13 of 59 Sent Sun May 6, 2007 7:51 pm

**Where I stand.**

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I expected that we would follow the proposals we passed. After a year Chapter 2 (the officers and the members) would decide if they wanted the website or not. I did not expect that the website would be terminated by the officers after 4 months.

I think it is ridiculous to want a website with only facts and no opinions. It seems to me that a smart group wants to harvest the opinions of its members. A group website should have both facts and opinions.

When I built a website for District Labor Council 789 of Service Employees International Union Local 1000 ( <http://www.dlc789.org/> ), I had several meetings with the officers, including a meeting at Kinko's where we walked through the website page by page on a computer. Literally, we were on the same page! :-)! In Chapter 2 we only had one meeting, a meeting to terminate the website.

My mother told me that when there is a fork in the road, take it. I don't know how all this is going to come out, but there is a fork in the road, and I will take it (See below.). :-)!

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Message #14 of 59 Sent: Sun May 6, 2007 9:54 pm

RE: [CSEChapter2] Where I stand.

Dear Bernie:

What in the Hell is going on? (I have been in the hospital again with my heart and down for some time).

However, how on earth in this day of age, can we not be with a web site and the ability to interact. What is this? People, pull your heads out of the sand. We have been offered a gift from the Gods! What gives?

Clara Smith  
[kunsch.clara@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kunsch.clara@sbcglobal.net)

-----Original Message-----

**From:** CSEChapter2@yahoogroups.com [mailto:CSEChapter2@yahoogroups.com] **On Behalf Of** Bernard E. Scoville

**Sent:** Sunday, May 06, 2007 7:51 PM

**To:** CSEChapter2@yahoogroups.com

**Subject:** [CSEChapter2] Where I stand.

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**Message #15 of 59 Sent: Sun May 6, 2007 10:02 pm**  
**J.J. Jelincic/CSEA is out of the office.**

I will be out of the office starting 05/04/2007 and will not return until 05/07/2007.

I will respond to your message when I return. However, it's likely to take a few days to catch up. \_\_

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**Message #16 of 59 Sent: Sun Mon May 7, 2007 8:12 am**  
**Where I stand.**

RE: [CSEChapter2] Where I stand.

Bernie: Please feel free to post your comments regarding Chapter 2 on our website. I am saddened to hear about the ongoing divisiveness in your chapter. I had hoped we could all get along, but possibly CSEA reflects the increasing sectarianism in the world.

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Message #17 of 59 Sent: Mon May 7, 2007 7:45 am  
Where I stand.

Re: [CSEChapter2] Where I stand.

We, public retirees, are under attack. I wrote an article for the RPEA newsletter about the attacks by the governor and Keith Richman on our pensions. It was turned down as too "uniony". The Bee is actively hostile to public employee unions and our pensions in general. I think that we should demand a editorial board meeting.

We need to keep our membership high. We need to spend the money sitting in a money market account on organizing public retirees. The new retirees will be computer literate, much more computer literate than Bernie and I are. If we want new retirees to be active in Chapter 2 then we need to have calendars that are easily accessed from any computer. We need to have functions like MySpace for those who like those kinds of things (I don't). I, personally, like listserves. We need to provide information in the way that

folks are used to. I retired six years ago but already management was communicating to us using computers and we were doing our work that way.

So, new retirees will be used to getting quick communications. We have to be instantly mobile to show up at the capital (located in our chapter area) for fight for our pensions and benefits.

love, lr  
CSEA member since 1983

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Message #18 of 59 Sent: Sun Mon May 7, 2007 5:02 pm  
Mike Richard/CSEA is out of the office.

I will be out of the office starting Mon 05/07/2007 and will not return until Sun 07/01/2007.

Mike Richard resigned effective May 1, 2007. If you have any questions on state retiree issues, please call 1-888-808-7197.

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Message #19 of 59 Sent: Fri May 11, 2007 5:56 pm  
Re: Effective and Offensive (Not Merely Defensive) Money Manag...

Re: [CSEACHapter2] Where I stand.

I concur Linda!

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Message #20 of 59 Sent: Wed May 16, 2007 2:20 am  
5/7 Speaker, Director of Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission, Rh

Fellow Unofficial Chapter 2 Email Group Members,

I want to share with you information on our May 7, 2007 speaker. I would just update our website to share this information with the whole world, but our officers have terminated our website. So below is a link that takes you to a page that has information, a picture, an audio file, and links relevant to our May 7, 2007 speaker, Director of Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission, Rhyena Halpern.

As I have mentioned before, to best see these web pages, you need a browser that supports style sheets, such as Internet Explorer 7, a recent version of Netscape, or a recent version of Firefox (my favorite browser by far). You can download a free copy of Firefox on the Links page of our terminated website.

[http://www.calcseachapter2.org/meeting\\_speaker\\_2007\\_0507.html](http://www.calcseachapter2.org/meeting_speaker_2007_0507.html)

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