

Letter from Chapter 36 to Dave Low at the CSEA Governmental Relations Office in Sacramento. Sent in April, 2004.

Hello Dave

We have learned that one of Santa Monica's College's board members, Margaret Quinones, has been short listed for appointment to the California Community College Board of Governors. We feel morally bound to advise you about our experience with Ms Quinones.

Following a personal meeting with her in 2000 where she professed a determination to change the culture of the College Board and to express the concerns of classified staff at Board meetings, we endorsed her for election. We also gave her money from the CSEA PACE as well as our personal contributions. We phone banked and precinct walked for her. We recommended her for endorsement at community organizations. To our regret Ms Quinones failed to remotely live up to her assurances and proceeded after a brief period, to consistently behave abusively and aggressively against classified staff without regard for realistic considerations or appropriate behavior. She has behaved in a manner that even her board associates have at times questioned as inappropriate.

We have no reason to expect that her attitude or behavior would be any different on the CCCBOG and we recommend that you carefully examine her record and credentials with a view toward recommending to our legislative allies that they oppose her appointment to the California Community College Board of Governors.

This memo was approved by the CSEA chapter 36 Executive Board on March 30/31, 2004.

Philip Hendricks, President CSEA Chapter 36
on behalf of the CSEA Executive Board