



**CTA Ambassador Report for California Association for Bilingual Education (CABE)  
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**I. Language Acquisition Committee- =UPDATE—it was referred to the Executive Director by the Board for action—**

**1. Old business- contract language for new multilingual programs-**I have been working on getting CTA to share contract language that would help districts starting new multilingual programs and it has been a challenge so our committee decided to refer this request to the Board so that they can make sure it gets done.

----**The LNG Committee requests that CTA create a database for all existing contract language related to multilingual learner teaching and settings in contracts from throughout the state.**

**2. Language questions- bilingual vs. multilingual/English Learners-** Conversation around why we continue to use this term when multilingual is more of an asset-based term and being used to replace English Learners by National Association of English Learner Program Administrators (NAELPA) **-Question came up if CABE has considered changing bilingual to multilingual in their name?**

**3. Multilingual Learning Toolkit** resource was shared with committee members

**4. Committee is interested in having a presentation on language acquisition in Early Education** = hoping to have Laurie Olsen

**II. Hispanic Caucus-**

**1.** We want to remind people about **Dolores Huerta Day on April 10<sup>th</sup>** and encourage all members to ensure their **school districts have it on calendars this summer** so that educators can conduct exercises remembering the life of Dolores Huerta. We ask all to share the following link with lesson plans that are ready to use:

<http://doloreshuerta.org/dolores-huerta-day-curriculum/>

**III. CTA News-**

**1. CA READS COMMITTEE-** Please look at teacher recommended books that can be used in your educational settings: <https://www.cta.org/get-involved/california-reads>

**PLEASE RECOMMEND BOOKS—[AT THIS LINK](#)—IN NEED OF MULTILINGUAL BOOKS THAT ARE REPRESENTATIVE OF OUR STUDENTS**

**2. Community Schools-** CTA supports Community Schools because we believe students are the center of everything we do. Recently in the 2021 California state budget, \$3 billion was allocated for the expansion of community schools. For more information: <https://www.cta.org/our-advocacy/issues/community-schools>

**IV. Legislation—[cta.org/takeaction](https://www.cta.org/takeaction)**

- 1.** Bills up for critical vote that CTA urges that senators are contacted: SB868 (Cortese) Support retired educators in need of assistance, AB2034-(O'Donnell)- Fix Medi-Cal Billing for Student Health, AB 1667 (Cooper)- Protect Retired Educators from Employer Overpayment Errors

It has been an honor and privilege to have worked with all of you. I hope to continue advocating for our families, students, and communities as an administrator. Thank you for welcoming me with open arms to your meetings and for inspiring me to be a better person and educator.

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