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WEEKLY UPDATE -FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2006

By: Pat Le Sage, Chief Operations & Financial Officer

Meeting with Governor’s Executive Staff:

President Tatum, Administrative Field Services Representative Braden and Chief Operations & Financial Officer Le Sage met with the Governor’s Chief of Staff, Susan Kennedy, the Governor’s Cabinet Secretary Fred Aguiar, and the Governor’s Deputy Chief of Staff Dan C. Dunmoyer who is the Senior Advisor for Policy Development on Tuesday, May 2nd to discuss: opening the doors for more communication with correctional supervisors and managers, overcrowding in prisons and retention incentives for supervisors and managers. We moved forward the need to correct the salary compaction between rank-and-file and supervisor and CCSO recommended a 15% salary differential in order to provide the necessary incentive to promote. Mr. Dunmoyer requested we provide him with recommendations regarding parole policies that may lessen the overcrowding problems in institutions. CCSO will research this area and get back to him. The Governor has proposed funding for building two new prisons and our Organization will assist his administration in obtaining passage for that funding. The meeting was positive and we will continue to schedule meetings to increase communication between the Governor’s Office and CCSO.

Bylaw Ratification:

Fifteen Chapter Presidents have ratified the bylaw revision to Article II, Section 1(b) that deletes the language that limits retired members to hold positions on the State Board. A total of seventeen Chapter Presidents voted, with two Chapter Presidents voting not to ratify and fifteen Chapter Presidents voting to ratify this bylaw revision. On behalf of the State Board, we thank the Chapter Presidents who took the time to review and vote on the bylaw revision. This office recommends that all Chapter Presidents become active in this ratification process and take the time to vote on future bylaw revisions.

Tri-Plexing Assigned to Lts. at CTF:

CDCR intends to commence in 30 days at the Correctional Training Facility assigning the duties of Tri-Plexing to Correctional Lieutenants. The local CCSO Chapter will meet over the additional workload. CTF is a hub with many inmates bussed in at one time. There is also a gray area that references Lieutenants ascertaining an inmate’s religious beliefs. The CCSO Chapter President Lt. Santiago will provide us updates on the outcome of their meetings.

No More Executions in 2006:

U.S. District Judge Jeremy Fogel signed on Thursday, April 27th a postponement for the scheduled hearing in death row inmate Michael Morales’ challenge to the State’s lethal injection procedures. The hearing is set for September 19th. In court papers filed Thursday, the State indicated it would consider result changes in other states. North Carolina recently used a medical device to monitor consciousness when it executed an inmate through lethal injection.

California Peace Officers Memorial:

CCSO’s President Rich Tatum was present along with CCSO representatives on Friday May 5th, remembering the individuals who lost their lives in the line of duty in 2005. Together, with hundreds of people, we shared the stories and memories of fallen peace officers. The ceremony was moving and concluded with a 21-gun salute. The ceremony was held at the Memorial Monument at the Capitol.

Thought for the Week: “Don’t discuss yourself, for you are bound to lose; if you belittle yourself, you are believed, if you praise yourself, you are disbelieved.” — M. deMontaigne

***The State Board and Staff, Welcome the New Members who Joined
CCSO this week!!***