IEPECG Section Meeting minutes 06/07/05

Guest Speaker: Bruce Blanning

- Pecg website updated at www.iepecg.org
- Pecg polo T-shirt are on sale for \$10.
- Both Houses in the State Capitol are working on the pay parity. Director Will Kempton is in support of the paid parity. Pay parity is expected to go through.
- Supervisors and Seniors' raises are also included in the revised budget proposal.
- Unit 18 and Unit 7 are currently re-negotiating their contracts and state contributions are decreasing. The Unit 9 contract will not end until 2008 and will need to re-negotiate with the next Governor.
- Caltrans has put off hiring and they want to see the effect of Proposition 42 funding.
- Legislature is working on the issue regarding the 600 vacancies and may increase Caltrans staffing by 300.
- SB 317 (design-build) is dead for this year.
- Special election, if occurs, will have budget cap on the ballot.
- Bill for reducing holidays (furloughing) is not going anywhere
- If pay parity passes on time with the State budget, the raise will show up in July's pay check.
- Steve Westley will continue to pay state workers if the budget is not passed on time.

Note: Due to sensitive nature of certain minutes please <u>contact</u> your Section officers for more information.