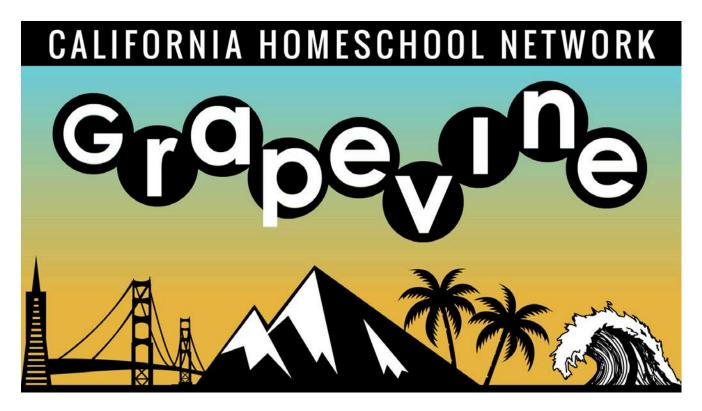
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## Welcome to the New School Year

A message from our board president

After the last couple of years of uncertainty and new awareness of the educational environment the children of California are returning to the classroom. After a summer of introspection and reflection many families have decided to seek alternatives to the public brick and mortar school resulting in a phenomenal growth within the homeschool community. Ask any PSP owner or Charter Organization if they have experienced growth in the last couple of years. The answer would be a resounding

As with the parents spending time considering their options, the Board Of Trustees have also huddled down in serious conversations reflecting on the impact on homeschooling in general but also how can CHN have a positive influence on the community consisting of experienced members and nervous new comers.

One of the original intentions of the California Homeschool Network was to concentrate on one thing and one thing only and that was to dedicate our actions and resources to preserving the right of all parents to homeschool in California. Initially the effort was directed to private (non-public) homeschoolers, but as more families participated in the public sector via the Charters we amended our bylaws and actions to include this rather large group of homeschool families in California. With this in mind, we will devote our resources to homeschooling and not get involved in the religious and political issues that are reflected in the diverse community of California.

Our current Board of Trustees reflects a delightful group of individuals actively pursuing growing CHN to become a respected and active influence in the homeschool community.

- Marty

### **Board of Trustees**



**Martin Forte** 

President

Marty is one of the founding members of CHN as well as the owner of a major PSP and Educational Resource Center specifically created for homeschoolers. His experience will be of importance in reflecting the influence of the private sector of homeschooling. His organization has become a major support



Windi Eklund

Vice President

Windi comes to the Board with a strong understanding of the Charter School community through participation as a Charter member as well as managing a charter organization. She also has many years of experience serving on the Board and brings great organizational skills and the knowledge of who is who in the charter universe. Windi is still homeschooling her children.



**Rhonda Hamilton** 

Treasurer

Rhonda has been serving the Board for many years as our Treasurer and if you have ever attended a CHN EXPO you have had the pleasure to have seen her in action. Among other EXPO responsibilities, she was the Chair of the registration of attendees and participated in the scheduling of all the activities and speakers. Her organizational skills are fantastic, and she keeps the Board on their toes in respect to the budget. She is also a homeschool parent with one child a special needs student.



Trina Reuber

Secretary

Trina comes to the Board with an energy and creative level never seen before at CHN. If you have attended EXPO in the past, you have witnessed her creative side via the children's activity room. She has an unlimited supply of great ideas that will have a positive influence on CHN. She is also a homeschooling mom of many happy little ones and teens. Her experience with the Foster Child program as well as the adoption process makes her a priceless addition to CHN.

# Our objectives are:

#### **Short Term**

#### **Medium Term**

#### **Long Term**

- Membership
- Newsletter
- Social Media
- Special Committees
- Web Site improvement

- Regional events
- Virtual events

• EXPO

During this time we will also be improving our relationship with other organizations like CHEA, HSLDA and Family Protection Ministries in order to present a united front in case of any legal or legislative actions coming from Sacramento.

We are looking forward to serving CHN and look forward to expanding the opportunities for you to also serve on committees and other activities contributing to the future success of CHN. If you have any questions or want to volunteer please contact us at: <a href="mailto:info@californiahomeschool.net">info@californiahomeschool.net</a>



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# Homeschool 101 and PSA Filing Support with Windi Eklund

Want to learn more about homeschooling in California? Please join CHN Vice President Windi Eklund as she walks you through each option. Plus, she will help families file the private school affidavit (PSA) if they decide it is the best homeschool path for their children.

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