

County Committee on School District Organization

Sonoma County Office of Education

5340 Skylane Blvd

Santa Rosa, CA 95403

January 11, 2021

Minutes

NOTICE: PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-25-20, EXECUTED BY GOVERNOR NEWSOM ON MARCH 12, 2020, Government Code section 54953(b) has been suspended.

In accordance with Executive Order N-25-20, one or more County Committee Members may participate by teleconference.

Additionally, in accordance with Order No. C19-03 of the Health Officer of the County of Sonoma, the public may participate in this meeting via telephone.

1. **Call to Order**-Jeanne Bassett-Fernandes called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm
2. **Pledge to the Flag**-Jeanne Bassett-Fernandes led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance
3. **Roll Call**-Bonnie Brown

Ron Abler	x	Linda Mayberry-Chavez	x	Mary Downey-SCOE	x
Jeanne Bassett-Fernandes	x	Frank Pugh	x	Jennifer Nix-SCLS	
Jeremy Brott	x	Ed Sheffield	x	Erin Stagg-SCLS	x
Deborah Bull	x	Russ Wigglesworth		Bonnie Brown-SCOE	x
James DeWilder	x	Jennifer Wiltermood	x		
Vacant					

4. **Oath of Office**-Mary Downey, Secretary to the County Committee, administered the Oath of Office to James DeWilder and Ron Abler. Their terms will expire in December 2024.

5. Selection of Committee Chair

Motion: Appoint Jeanne Bassett-Fernandes to serve as the Committee Chair for 2021.

First: Jeremy Brott

Second: James DeWilder

Ron Abler	Yes	Linda Mayberry-Chavez	Yes
Jeanne Bassett-Fernandes	Yes	Frank Pugh	Yes
Jeremy Brott	Yes	Ed Sheffield	Yes
Deborah Bull	Yes	Russ Wigglesworth	Absent
James DeWilder	Yes	Jennifer Wiltermood	Yes
Vacant Position			

Motion Passed by Roll Call Vote

6. Selection of Committee Vice-Chair

Motion: Appoint Frank Pugh to serve as the Committee Vice-Chair for 2021.

First: Ed Sheffield

Second: James DeWilder

Ron Abler	Yes	Linda Mayberry-Chavez	Yes
Jeanne Bassett-Fernandes	Yes	Frank Pugh	Yes
Jeremy Brott	Yes	Ed Sheffield	Yes
Deborah Bull	Yes	Russ Wigglesworth	Absent
James DeWilder	Yes	Jennifer Wiltermood	Yes
Vacant Position			

Motion Passed by Roll Call Vote

7. Approval of January 11, 2021 meeting agenda

Motion: Approval of January 11, 2021 agenda

First: Deborah Bull

Second: Frank Pugh

Ron Abler	Yes	Linda Mayberry-Chavez	Yes
Jeanne Bassett-Fernandes	Yes	Frank Pugh	Yes
Jeremy Brott	Yes	Ed Sheffield	Yes
Deborah Bull	Yes	Russ Wigglesworth	Absent
James DeWilder	Yes	Jennifer Wiltermood	Yes
Vacant Position			

Motion Passed by Roll Call Vote

8. Approval of November 9, 2020 meeting minutes [\(Attachment\)](#)

Motion: Approval of November 9, 2020 Minutes

First: James DeWilder

Second: Jennifer Wiltermood

Ron Abler	Yes	Linda Mayberry-Chavez	Yes
Jeanne Bassett-Fernandes	Yes	Frank Pugh	Yes
Jeremy Brott	Yes	Ed Sheffield	Abstain
Deborah Bull	Yes	Russ Wigglesworth	Absent
James DeWilder	Yes	Jennifer Wiltermood	Yes
Vacant Position			

Motion Passed by Roll Call Vote

9. Public Comment

No members of the public presented any comments for items not listed on the agenda.

10. Information/Discussion Items

a. Review County Committee Role in District Reorganization ([Attachment](#))

Erin Stagg, Legal Counsel, explained the role of the County Committee in District Reorganization.

b. Update on Request for Proposal (RFP) for Feasibility Study

Erin Stagg, Legal Counsel, updated the Committee on the progress of the Request for Proposal (RFP) for a Feasibility Study being written by the Superintendent of Schools, Sonoma County Office of Education. This Committee is working jointly with the Sonoma County Office of Education in the development of an RFP to help ensure that any study, to the extent possible, includes information and analysis that the County Committee would find useful if the Committee evaluates a plan or proposal on the unification or partial unification of some or all districts within the WSCUHSD area.

Members of the Committee asked questions for clarification on the process.

Members of the Public were given an opportunity to address the Committee regarding their role in the Feasibility Study process.

11. Next Meeting Date and Time

- February 1, 2021 at 6:00 pm

12. Adjournment

Jeanne Bassett-Fernandes adjourned the meeting at 6:46 pm.