

County Committee on School District Organization

Cotati-Rohnert Park Unified School District

Board Room

7165 Burton Ave., Rohnert Park, CA 94928

March 23, 2020

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. The call-in number is 408-638-0968, Meeting ID: 220 327 657.

1. **Call to Order**-Jeanne Bassett Fernandes, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.
2. **Pledge to the Flag**-Michael Watenpaug, Interim Superintendent for Cotati-Rohnert Park USD, led the group in the pledge.
3. **Roll Call**-Bonnie Tanner ff

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

4. Approval of March 23, 2020 meeting agenda

Motion: Approval of March 23, 2020 agenda with addition of agenda item 5.b

First: Russ Wigglesworth

Second: Jeremy Brott

Motion Passed

5. Approval of January 27, 2020 meeting minutes

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First: Jennifer Wiltermood

Second: Russ Wigglesworth

Motion Passed

6. Open Public Hearing-Pubic Hearing opened at 6:19 p.m.

7. Public Comment

Letter from Tracy Farrell was shared,expressing concern that the public was not allowed to develop or present optional boundaries for the trustee areas. This letter was read by Interim Superintendent of Cotati-Rohnert Park at one of the Public Hearings held by the district.

8. Close Public Hearing-Public Hearing closed at 6:22 p.m.

9. Information/Discussion Items

Michael Watenpaugh, Interim Superintendent, Cotati-Rohnerk Park USD
Jonanathan Salt, Counsel for Cotati-Rohnert Park
Larry Ferchaw, Demographer

Presented to the Committee the process that Cotati-Rohnert Park followed to develop a plan for transitioning to Trustee Areas for future elections of Board members within the district.

10. Action Items-Jennifer Nix, School and College Legal Services, advised on the role of the County Committee

a. Cotati-Rohnert Park USD Change to Trustee Area Voting

Motion: Approve the Cotati-Rohnert Park USD Plan to establish trustee areas for their district and selection of “Scenario B”.

First: Frank Pugh

Second: Jeremy Brott

Discussion: No further discussion

Roll Call Vote for Resolution

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

11. Next Meeting Date and Time

No future meeting scheduled at this time.

12. Adjournment-Jeanne Bassett-Fernandes, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.