

8. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS None.

9. INFORMATION &
DISCUSSION ITEMS

9.1 *Kashia School District –
Possible Lapsation*

Mr. Cerreta provided an overview of Kashia School District in regards to Ed Code ADA requirements and possible lapsation of the school district if it is determined that the school district had less than six students during the 2013-14 school year. Mr. Cerreta stated that the audit report would not be available until January 31, 2015. At that time he will notify the Committee of the results and, if applicable, the possible lapsation of Kashia. The audit will reveal if Kashia is entitled to funding; if the ADA was six students; and if the teacher was properly credentialed. The Committee would initiate the lapsation process with the hearing process beginning after the end of the 2014-15 school year. If the district lapses, students would be absorbed into Horicon School District. Upon receipt of the audit, Mr. Cerreta will send an update to the Committee members.

9.2 *Santa Rosa Junior College
District – Trustee Area
Representation*

Mr. Zotter briefly reviewed the California Voting Right Act (CVRA). Mr. Call, who is also a trustee on the SRJC Board, stated that three of the trustees, including himself, represent the same areas - Areas 3, 4, and 5; with two terms ending in 2016, and one term ending in 2018. Mr. Call also provided a brief history of the SRJC areas, stating that Santa Rosa areas 3, 4, and 5 are small, but have large populations. Mr. Zotter commented that there should be the same number of people voting in each area and that the concern of the CVRA is majority/minority issues. In addition, he provided information regarding the Sonoma Valley trustee areas that were addressed by this Committee in 2012. The Committee discussed demographics, minority representation, etc. Mr. Call commented that the consensus of the SRJC Board was that there needed to be a change to the representation. Mr. Zotter stated that the SRJC Board would need to initiate the change, and further described what would happen with the representatives and their terms if there were to be a change.

9.3 *Small School District
Board Structure – Reducing
from 5 to 3 Members*

Mr. Zotter reviewed the criteria for 3, 5, or 7 member Boards – 7-member boards can reduce to 5; 3-member boards can increase to 5; but there is no statutory authority for a 5-member board to reduce to 3. Mr. Zotter stated that he and Dr. Herrington are working with our local assemblyman to draft legislation for reducing a 5-member board to a 3-member board. The Committee members expressed their adverse viewpoints on 3-member boards, one being, Brown Act issues. Mr. Cerreta commented that Boards have difficulty finding 5 members. Mr. Zotter stated that Dr. Herrington favors 3-member boards, and he has had a conversation with our assemblyman and the process for it to potentially become a law will take 6-9 months.

10. NEXT MEETING DATE AND
TIME

The Committee scheduled three future meetings to be held on:
Monday, April 20, 2015, at 5:30 p.m. **(Cancelled)**
Monday, September 21, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. **(Cancelled)**
Monday, December 14, 2015, at 5:30 p.m.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Bassett Fernandes adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Cerreta, Secretary
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