

SONOMA COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION
Sonoma County Office of Education - C & I Conference Room
5340 Skylane Boulevard, Santa Rosa, CA 95403

REGULAR MEETING

December 8, 2008

Committee Chairperson, Mary Schafer, called the Sonoma County Committee on School District Organization meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. and led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held at the Sonoma County Office of Education in the Curriculum and Instruction Conference Room.	MEETING
Jeanne Bassett Fernandes, Jeremy Brott, Dan Bunting, James DeWilder, Rick Massell, and Mary Shafer	MEMBERS PRESENT
Vernon Calsy, Noreen Carvolth, Kathy Hayes, and Bob Koenitzer	MEMBERS ABSENT
Jerry Johnson, Susanne Reed, Frank Zotter, and Patti Springer,	STAFF PRESENT
Mr. Johnson explained that an insufficient number of absentee ballots were received, so Dr. Carl Wong reappointed Vernon Calsy, James DeWilder, and Mary Schafer; and also appointed Rick Massell. Mr. Johnson administered the Oath of Office to appointed member, Rick Massell, and reappointed members James DeWilder and Mary Schafer.	1. OATH OF OFFICE
Members then reviewed the committee roster and made necessary updates.	
None	2. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC
On motion by Mr. DeWilder, seconded by Mr. Brott, the motion carried to approve the December 8, 2008 agenda.	3. APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 8, 2008 AGENDA
On motion by Ms. Fernandes, seconded by Mr. Bunting, the motion carried to approve the June 16, 2008 minutes.	4. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 16, 2008 MINUTES
	5. INFORMATION & DISCUSSION ITEMS
Mr. Johnson stated that the Governor vetoed AB2243. He said that opposition by the Controller's Office might have implications in terms of mandated costs. Mr. Johnson added that he spoke with Larry Shirey, and the bill will be introduced after budgetary matters are dealt with - maybe in the spring.	<i>5.1 Update on AB2243</i>
The bill would have allowed the Committee to act on Monte Rio/Guerneville, which is delayed by the State until spring or summer of next year; and might be as late as June 2010. If the bill is passed before State action on Monte Rio/Guerneville, the County Committee could process it. Also the CEQA findings could be adopted by the State if they meet their standards or requirements. If they don't, it would be a significant cost increase to the State.	
Mr. Johnson reported that he spoke with Denise Calvert regarding the study with School Services. The results of the study deemed that there would not be any financial advantages to consolidation. The districts continue to share services.	<i>5.2 Update on Sebastopol/Twin Hills Discussions</i>

6. ACTION ITEMS

The Committee reviewed the Bylaws, with the proposed amendments to *Term of Membership, Attorney, Means of Travel/Travel Reimbursement, Meetings, Open Meetings, Abstentions, Posting of Agenda, Amendment of Bylaws, and Suspension of Bylaws*. On motion by Mr. Bunting, seconded by Ms. Fernandes, the motion carried to adopt the Committee Bylaws with the amendments.

6.1 *Adoption of the Committee Bylaws*

Mr. DeWilder suggested having the June meeting in Horicon; the committee was open to the location. On motion by Mr. Brott, seconded by Mr. DeWilder the motion carried to hold the next meeting on March 9, 2009, but if there were no business to address at that time, the committee would postpone the meeting until June.

7. NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME

Ms. Schafer adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

8. AJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,



Jerry Johnson, Secretary
S.C.C.S.D.O.