



**COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION
ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**Monday, December 9, 2019
5:30 p.m.**

Upper Crust Trattoria, 1560 Los Osos Valley Road, San Luis Obispo
(Laguna Village Shopping Center)

UNADOPTED MINUTES

Members Present:

District #1
Chris Bausch, Nelson Yamagata

District #2
Kathy Madonna, Stuart Selkirk

District #3
Linda Villanueva-Quesenberry

District #4
Jim DeCecco (upon action by the
Committee), Steve Flood

District #5
Ray Buban, Kim Holmes

Member At-Large
Andy Hays

Staff Present:

James Brescia, County Superintendent of Schools
Karla Knuckles, Executive Assistant
Valerie Kraskey, Administrative Manager

1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 5:44 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

MOTION: MADONNA/BUBAN A motion was passed to adopt the agenda as presented.

(9-0)

(Mr. DeCecco will be appointed to the committee at agenda item 3.1)

3.0 ACTION ITEM(S)

**3.1 Accept Nomination and Appoint New County Committee Member Representing
Supervisory District #4**

The Lucia Mar USD has submitted a nomination for Jim DeCecco to replace Juan Olivaria, representing one of two seats for Supervisory District #4. The appointment is for the remainder of the term which expires in 2021. This action follows the Bylaws of the County Committee adopted April 28, 2016.

MOTION: BAUSCH/SELKIRK A motion was passed to accept the nomination and appoint a new county committee member, Jim DeCecco, representing Supervisory District #4.

(10-0)

3.2 Seat Newly Elected/Appointed County Committee Members

There were no nominations received for the vacancy representing one of two seats for Supervisorial District #1, therefore there was a failure to elect for that seat. Per Education Code 4005, 4006, 4007 and 4008 and the County Committee Bylaws when there is a failure to elect the County Superintendent of Schools shall appoint to fill the vacancy. Dr. Brescia, County Superintendent of Schools, has appointed Mr. Chris Bausch. Mr. Bausch has accepted the appointment.

The election was conducted by mail-in ballot on November 25, 2019 to fill the vacancies for Supervisorial #2 and #5. There was one candidate nominated for each seat. Kathy Madonna was elected for Supervisorial #2 and Kim Holmes for Supervisorial #5. Both terms will expire in 2023.

MOTION: YAMAGATA/HAYS A motion was passed to accept the results of the appointment and election of county committee members. The terms will expire 2023.

(10-0)

Dr. Brescia, County Superintendent of Schools, administered the Oath of Allegiance to the newly elected/appointed committee members.

3.3 Election of Officers: Chair and Vice-Chair

Per the Committee's Bylaws, there shall be an annual organizational meeting to elect a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson. The current chairperson is Steve Flood and Vice-Chairperson is Chris Bausch.

Nominations were called for Chair and Vice-Chair.

A nomination was put forth to elect Steve Flood as Chair and Chris Bausch as Vice-Chair. Mr. Flood declined the nomination.

A nomination was put forth to elect Chris Bausch as Chair. Mr. Bausch accepted the nomination.

A nomination was put forth to elect Ray Buban as Vice-Chair. Mr. Buban accepted the nomination.

Officers for 2020 are Chris Bausch, Chair and Ray Buban, Vice-Chair

(10-0)

4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Approval of Minutes from Meeting of December 10, 2018

There were no changes to the consent agenda.

MOTION: BUBAN/YAMAGATA A motion was passed to adopt the consent agenda as presented.

(10-0)

5.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

Government Code 54954.3 provides that, before or during the Board's consideration of an item, the public may address the Board directly on any item of interest that is within the Board's purview, provided that no action shall be taken on an item not appearing on the agenda unless otherwise authorized by Government Code 54954.2(b). Further, to ensure the intent of Government Code 54954.3(a) is carried out, the Board may impose reasonable regulations including limiting the amount of time allocated for public testimony on particular issues and for

each individual speaker. Each person is limited to three minutes unless the Board provides direction to the contrary.

There were no comments received.

6.0 DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEM(S)

- **Districts Moving to “By-Trustee Area” Election Effective 2022**

Superintendent Brescia commented on districts throughout the state that are moving to “By-Trustee Area” elections in the near future. For our county, Lucia Mar USD, San Luis Coastal USD and Paso Robles JUSD governing boards have adopted resolutions for this change to be effective the 2022 general election. These actions are due to activity throughout the state relating to the California Voting Rights Act. The CVRA expands on the federal Voting Rights Act, making it easier for minority groups in California to prove that their votes are being diluted in “at-large” elections”.

- **Potential Lapsation – Big Sur Unified School District, Monterey County**

Superintendent Brescia reported on a recent meeting attended, along with the Monterey County Superintendent of Schools and representatives from Coast USD, Carmel USD and Big Sur USD. Big Sur USD (also known as Pacific Valley School) has a high school enrollment of less than 11. Once this happens, it is a trigger for the Monterey County Superintendent of Schools to put forth action by the County Committee on School District Organization to “lapse” the district. The two districts on either side of the Big Sur USD are Coast USD and Carmel USD.

The Big Sur USD has a waiver from the State Board of Education for the 2019-20 school year and plans to apply for a waiver for the next two school years, while reviewing all options before the district. If there is any action involving the Coast USD, then the San Luis Obispo County Committee will also become engaged in the process. However, it is the Monterey County Committee that will take the lead.

7.0 COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS

There were no comments from committee members.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: SELKIRK/YAMAGATA There was a motion passed to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 p.m. **(10-0)**

*Respectfully submitted,
James J. Brescia, Ed.D., County Superintendent of Schools to the
County Committee on School District Organization*