County Committee on School District Organization
Minutes of Annual Meeting
Monday, December 13, 2021 -- Zoom – 3 p.m.
Santa Barbara County Education Office
4400 Cathedral Oaks Road, Santa Barbara

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m. by Janet Zilli.

2. Roll Call

Members Present
Jan Clevenger
Dr. Ed Cora
Linda Cordero in at 3:07p.m.
Judith Dale
Nancy Harter
Terry Hickey Banks
Steve Minjarez
Margaret Ontiveros
Robin Sawaske
Steve Straight
Janet Zilli

Members Absent
None

Others Present

Denice Cora, Secretary to County Committee
Amada Dulay, Senior Administrative Assistant, School Business Advisory Services
Anna Freedland, Executive Assistant to the County Superintendent
Craig Price, Legal Counsel
Bill Ridgeway, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services
Justin Rich, Executive Director -- Cooperative Strategies
Dr. Susan Salcido, County Superintendent of Schools-Santa Barbara County Education Office
3. **Welcome**
Janet Zilli welcomed everyone and thanked the County Committee members for joining via zoom. The chairperson announced a title clarification to agenda Item 9 which was titled *Presentation of SBCEO Maps* clarified to *Presentation and Discussion of Draft SBCEO Board Trustee Area Maps*.

4. **Public Comments** – None

5. **Approval of Minutes of October 25 and November 15**

Two minor corrections to the agenda were identified on the October 25 minutes. Member Hickey Banks was noted as absent and was present shortly after the meeting began. Her name will be modified as present at the meeting. On Item 5, there was a correction to Margaret Ontiveros’ Supervisors’ District from First to Fifth.

A motion was made to approve the minutes with these two minor corrections for October 25 and November 15, 2021.

MOVED: Steve Straight  SECONDED: Linda Cordero

AYES: Jan Clevenger, Dr. Ed Cora, Linda Cordero, Judith Dale, Nancy Harter, Terry Hickey Banks, Steve Minjarez, Margaret Ontiveros, Robin Sawaske, Steve Straight, and Janet Zilli

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

The minutes of the meeting on October 25 (as amended) and November 15, 2021, were approved.

6. **Election Results**

The Election Results were received by the County Committee.

7. **Oath of Office**

Dr. Susan Salcido administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Nancy Harter (Second Supervisors’ District), Dr. Ed Cora (Fourth Supervisors’ District) and Mr. Steve Straight (Member-at-Large). Susan congratulated and thanked them for their willingness to serve on this important committee.

8. **Member information update:**

Ms. Cora asked members to review their information on the master roster of members and submit any changes to her.
9. **Election of chairperson (south county) and vice chairperson (north county)**

Robin Sawaske was selected chairperson and Margaret Ontiveros for vice chairperson and Robin assumed the chairperson role for the remainder of the meeting.

MOVED: Terry Hickey Banks  
SECONDED: Judith Dale

AYES: Jan Clevenger, Dr. Ed Cora, Linda Cordero, Judith Dale, Nancy Harter, Terry Hickey Banks, Steve Minjarez, Steve Straight, and Janet Zilli

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

10. **Presentation and Discussion of Draft SBCEO Board Trustee Area Maps**

Justin Rich, Executive Director of Cooperative Strategies shared a presentation of the 2020 Census and Redistricting options for the Santa Barbara County Education Office trustee areas. Two map scenarios were provided for the County Committee’s review. The highlights of the census and maps include:

- With the 2020 Census, there is a 12% variance between the smallest and largest areas which pushes these areas beyond the allowable 10% or less variance
- Areas 1 and 6 are the least populated and cover the Santa Barbara and Carpinteria portions of SBCEO trustee areas
- Areas 2 and 5 are the most populated. Area 2 is in the Santa Barbara/Goleta area and Area 5 is in Orcutt in the north county
- Both scenarios show two trustees in Area 6 because Area 1 is pushed westward into Santa Barbara to gather more population
- Scenario 1 brings the variance to 1.5% and Scenario 2 brings the variance to 0.9%

During the meeting, Mr. Rich showed the areas that were adjusted to bring the boundaries into alignment with the 10% or less variance requirement. The scenarios were presented to the County Committee for consideration and/or future adjustments. He also provided interactive maps showing the current boundaries and adjustments in the two scenarios for members to review before the next meeting.

11. **Approval of Resolution No. 2022-02-CC State of Emergency and Reauthorizing Teleconferenced Meetings**

Robin Sawaske presented Resolution No. 2022-02-CC State of Emergency Reauthorization to continue Teleconferenced Meetings.

MOVED: Linda Cordero  
SECONDED: Steve Straight
AYES: Jan Clevenger, Dr. Ed Cora, Judith Dale, Nancy Harter, Terry Hickey Banks, Steve Minjarez, Margaret Ontiveros, Robin Sawaske, and Janet Zilli
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

12. Discussion for future meeting dates for District Redistricting

A discussion ensued regarding the County Committee and redistricting packages that will be forthcoming from districts to the Committee for consideration. For now, two dates were added to the calendar in anticipation of these submissions: January 10 and April 4. Superintendent Salcido shared that she would survey the districts in early January to identify the anticipated timing of packages to be submitted to the County Committee and report out at the Jan. 10 meeting. At that time, dates may be identified to schedule additional meetings.

13. Suggested Meeting dates for 2022 at 2 p.m.

Approval of meeting dates for 2022

- February 14, 2022
- April 11, 2022
- September 12, 2022
- December 12, 2022 (annual meeting)

MOVED: Jan Clevenger  SECONDED: Judith Dale

AYES: Dr. Ed Cora, Linda Cordero, Nancy Harter, Terry Hickey Banks, Steve Minjarez, Margaret Ontiveros, Robin Sawaske, Steve Straight and Janet Zilli
NOES: None

14. Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 4:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Denise Cora
Secretary to the County Committee on School District Organization