

***LAKE COUNTY COMMITTEE ON
SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION***

JUNE 3, 2015

MINUTES

I CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Lake County Committee on School District Organization was called to order at 3:45 p.m. at the Lake County Office of Education, 1152 S. Main Street, Lakeport CA by Board President Patricia Hicks. Board Members Browning, Cooper, Lyon and Ryder were present. Also present were Brock Falkenberg, Superintendent of Schools and LCOE staff member Janice Bailey.

II APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Dr. Browning and seconded by Mrs. Lyon to approve the Agenda of the Committee on School District Organization of June 3, 2015.

Aye Browning; Aye Cooper; Aye Hicks; Aye Lyon; Aye Ryder - Motion Carried 5-0

III PUBLIC INPUT – There was no Public Input.

IV APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Dr. Browning and seconded by Mr. Ryder to approve the Minutes of the Lake County Committee on School District Organization on April 24, 2015.

Aye Browning; Aye Cooper; Aye Hicks; Abstain Lyon; Aye Ryder - Motion Carried 4-0

VI ACTION & DISCUSSION

A. DISCUSSION ITEM – TENTATIVE TIMELINE FOR SUMMER MEETINGS

Mr. Falkenberg reviewed the tentative timelines for summer meetings and required dates for the potential unification process. The Upper Lake Union Elementary District is scheduled to vote on their resolution to unify at tonight's meeting. The Upper Lake Union High School District vote is scheduled for June 10. If both Boards vote in favor of unification, the resolutions will be submitted to the County Superintendent of schools for review. The timeline will be imperative in guiding next steps in the process.

Mrs. Hicks suggested adding the required date of posting the Public Hearing to the document (required posting 10 days prior to the meeting date). The Board requested a review of the LAFCO notification at the June 17 meeting. Mr. Falkenberg will

update the document and will be prepared to post the timeline publicly upon approval of district resolutions.

B. DISCUSSION ITEM – CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PROJECT

Mr. Falkenberg presented PowerPoint slides outlining the CEQA review process. The County Committee on School District Organization is tasked with determining if the unification process is a “project”. A “project” is defined under CEQA guidelines as that which “has a potential for resulting in either direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change.” If it is not considered a project by the County Committee, there is no further action required by CEQA.

At the request of Dr. Cooper, Mr. Falkenberg will check with others who have been involved in the unification process for further information on the determination of a “project”. Mr. Falkenberg stated that he will follow-up on this and the County Committee would seek outside expertise if it is determined a “project”.

C. ADOPT PROCEDURES FOR A PUBLIC HEARING CONDUCTED BY THE LAKE COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

The Board reviewed the list of procedures, along with another sample document from the Handbook on School District Organization. After review and lengthy discussion, it was determined that Mrs. Hicks and Mr. Falkenberg would develop an agenda for the Public Hearings using the guidelines in both documents.

It was moved by Dr. Cooper and seconded by Dr. Browning to table the *Procedures for a Public Hearing* until the June 17, 2015 meeting.

Aye Browning; Aye Cooper; Aye Hicks; Aye Lyon; Aye Ryder - Motion Carried 5-0

X FUTURE BUSINESS

The next meeting of Lake County Committee on School District Organization will be held at 3:00 p.m. on June 17, 2015 at the Lake County Office of Education, 1152 S. Main Street, Lakeport, CA 95453.

XI ADJOURNMENT

The Lake County Committee on School District Organization adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

Submitted by,

BROCK FALKENBERG
Secretary to the Board
Lake County Superintendent of Schools