

# MONTEREY COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

## AGENDA

**JUNE 27, 2016  
6:30 PM**

*(\* indicates materials furnished to Committee Members)*

**Monterey County Office of Education  
Conference Rooms A/B  
901 Blanco Circle - Salinas, CA 93901  
And via conference call from  
39858 Leeward Rd. Sea Ranch, CA and  
3172 Cascade Drive SW, Portland, OR  
(831) 755-0301**

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INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC: when the Chair recognizes a member of the public for oral comment, such comment will be limited to up to three (3) minutes, as determined by the chair. In accordance with law, comments will be heard at the time the subject item is addressed by the Committee.

*If you will be attending a meeting and would like to request translation into a language other than English, including sign language interpretation, please Notify the office at 755-0301 at least 48 hours prior to the time of the meeting. In addition, the agenda and documents in the agenda packet shall be made available in appropriate alternative formats to persons with a disability upon written Notification at least 48 hours prior to the time of the meeting. En caso de que usted necesite ayuda en leer o en entender este aviso de Junta Pública, usted puede ponerse en contacto con la oficina del Superintendente de escuelas del condado de Monterey en 901 Blanco Circle, Salinas, ó, puede llamar al número (831) 755-0301, y se le traducirá este aviso.*

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1. Opening Business

1.1 Call to Order

1.2 Roll Call

Harvey Kuffner, Chair *(via conference call)*

Judy Pennycook, Vice-Chair *(via conference call)*

John McPherson

Janet Wohlgemuth

Ronald Panziera

Mary Claypool

Sergio Alejo

Dr. Nancy Kotowski, Secretary to the County Committee

1.3 Pledge of Allegiance

- 1.4 Adoption of Agenda
2. Communications
  - 2.1 Correspondence
  - 2.2 Oral Comments from the Public (*Limited to Items Not on the Agenda*)
3. Unfinished Business Non Action Items
  - \*3.1 School Services of California Presentation of Review of the Feasibility Study Regarding the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District  
  
INFORMATION/DISCUSSION: Dr. Nancy Kotowski
  - 3.2 Monterey County Office of Education Staff Presentation of Review of the Feasibility Study Regarding the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District  
  
INFORMATION/DISCUSSION: Dr. Nancy Kotowski
  - 3.3 Comments by Petitioners: Laura Caballero, Leticia Martinez, Mayra Perez-Diaz, Chief Petitioners (limited to 10 minutes)
  - 3.4 Comments by Greenfield Union School District (limited to 10 minutes)
  - 3.5 Comments by South Monterey County Joint Union High School District (limited to 10 minutes)
4. Unfinished Business Action Items
  - 4.1 Determination on Whether the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District Substantially Meets Each of the 9 Criteria Contained in Education Code § 35753 and Findings Pursuant to Education Code § 35707

#### 4.1.1 Criterion 1

The County Committee Will Vote on Whether or Not the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District Substantially Meets the "Adequate Enrollment" Criterion [Education Code Section 35753(a)(1)]:

"The reorganized districts will be adequate in terms of number of pupils enrolled."

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: Marguerite Leoni, Special Counsel

"That the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the coterminous territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to create Greenfield Unified School District **does/does not** substantially meet the "adequate enrollment" criterion [Education Code section 35753(a)(1)]; **OR** defer vote on this item."

#### 4.1.2 Criterion 2

The County Committee Will Vote on Whether or Not the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District Substantially Meets the "community identity" Criterion [Education Code Section 35753(a)(2)]:

"The districts are each organized on the basis of a substantial community identity."

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: Marguerite Leoni, Special Counsel

"That the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the coterminous territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District **does/does not** Substantially meet the "community identity" criterion [Education Code section 35753(a)(2)]; **OR** defer vote on this item."

#### 4.1.3 Criterion 3

The County Committee Will Vote on Whether or Not the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District Substantially Meets the "Equitable Division of Property and Facilities" Criterion [Education Code Section 35753(a)(3)]:

"The proposal will result in an equitable division of property and facilities of the original district or districts."

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: Marguerite Leoni, Special Counsel

"That the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the coterminous territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to create Greenfield Unified School District **does/does not** substantially meet the "equitable division of property and facilities" criterion [Education Code section 35753(a)(3)]; **OR** defer vote on this item."

#### 4.1.4 Criterion 4

The County Committee Will Vote on Whether or Not the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District Substantially Meets the Integration and Non-segregation" Criterion [Education Code Section 35753(a)(4)]:

"The reorganization of the districts will preserve each affected district's ability to educate students in an integrated environment and will not promote racial or ethnic discrimination or segregation."

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: Marguerite Leoni, Special Counsel

"That the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the coterminous territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to create Greenfield Unified School District **does/does not** substantially meet the "integration and non-segregation" criterion [Education Code section 35753(a)(4)]; **OR** defer vote on this item."

#### 4.1.5 Criterion 5

The County Committee Will Vote on Whether or Not the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District Substantially Meets the "Insignificant or Incidental State Costs" Criterion [Education Code Section 35753(a)(5)]:

"Any increase in costs to the state as a result of the proposed reorganization will be insignificant and otherwise incidental to the reorganization."

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: Marguerite Leoni, Special Counsel

"That the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the coterminous territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to create Greenfield Unified School District **does/does not** substantially meet the "insignificant or incidental state costs" criterion [Education Code Section 35753(a)(5)]; **OR** defer vote on this item."

#### 4.1.6 Criterion 6

The County Committee Will Vote on Whether or Not the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District Substantially Meets the "Sound Educational Performance and Nondisruption of Educational Programs" Criterion [Education Code Section 35753(a)(6)]:

"The proposed reorganization will continue to promote sound education performance and will Not significantly disrupt the educational programs in the districts affected by the proposed reorganization."

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: Marguerite Leoni, Special Counsel

"That the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the coterminous territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to create Greenfield Unified School District **does/does not** substantially meet the "sound educational performance and nondisruption of educational programs"

criterion [Education Code Section 35753(a)(6)]; **OR** defer vote on this item."

#### 4.1.7 Criterion 7

The County Committee Will Vote on Whether or Not the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District Substantially Meets the "Insignificant or Incidental School Housing Costs" Criterion [Education Code Section 35753(a)(7)]:

"Any increase in school facilities costs as a result of the proposed reorganization will be insignificant and otherwise incidental to the reorganization."

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: Marguerite Leoni, Special Counsel

"That the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the coterminous territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to create Greenfield Unified School District **does/does not** substantially meet the "insignificant or incidental school housing costs" criterion [Education Code section 35753(a)(7)]; **OR** defer vote on this item."

#### 4.1.8 Criterion 8

The County Committee Will Vote on Whether or Not the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District Substantially Meets the "Primarily Designed for Purposes Other than Increased Property Values" Criterion [Education Code Section 35753(a)(8)]:

"The proposed reorganization is primarily designed for purposes other than to significantly increase property values."

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: Marguerite Leoni, Special Counsel

"That the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the coterminous territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to create Greenfield Unified School District **does/does not** substantially meet the "primarily

designed for purposes other than increased property values" criterion [Education Code section 35753(a)(8)]; **OR** defer vote on this item."

#### 4.1.9 Criterion 9

The County Committee Will Vote on Whether or Not the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District Substantially Meets the "Continuation of Sound Fiscal Status" Criterion [Education Code Section 35753(a)(9)]:

"The proposed reorganization will continue to promote sound fiscal management and not cause a substantial negative effect on the fiscal status of the proposed district or any existing district affected by the proposed reorganization."

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: Marguerite Leoni, Special Counsel

"That the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the coterminous territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to create Greenfield Unified School District **does/does not** substantially meet the "continuation of sound fiscal status" criterion [Education Code section 35753(a)(9)]; **OR** defer vote on this item."

#### 4.2 Findings Under Education Code § 35707

4.2.1 The County Committee Will Vote on Whether or Not the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District Would Adversely Affect the School District Organization of the County [Education Code Section 35707].

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: Marguerite Leoni, Special Counsel

"That the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the coterminous territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to create Greenfield Unified School District **does not** adversely affect the school district organization of the county [Education Code Section 35707]."

4.2.2 The County Committee Will Vote on Whether or Not the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District

with the Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District Complies with the Provisions of the Nine Criteria of Education Code Section 35753 [Education Code Section 35707].

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: Marguerite Leoni, Special Counsel

"That the Greenfield Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District to Create Greenfield Unified School District **does/does not** comply with the provisions of the nine criteria [Education Code Section 35753]; **OR** defer vote on this item."

4.3 Possible Action the County Committee On School District Organization May Consider

4.3.1 To Approve or Deny the Petition for Unification of the Greenfield Union Elementary School District with the Coterminous Territory of the South Monterey County Joint Union High School District, to Create Greenfield Unified School District; **OR,**

4.3.2 Take No Action on the Petition at this Time and Request that the County Board of Education Request a Two Year Waiver of the July 5, 2016 Deadline Under Education Code Section 35706 (Less the Time of the First Waiver, to End April 5, 2018) to Provide Additional Time to Address Issues Identified Through the Feasibility Study Analysis of the Nine Criteria in Education Code Section 35753, or Issues in Addition to Those Presented by the Nine Criteria that are of Concern, and Instruct the County Superintendent of Schools to Take Necessary Action to Enable the County Board of Education to Request the Waiver.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION: Marguerite Leoni, Special Counsel

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: At the pleasure of the County Committee

6. Adjournment