The Los Angeles County Committee on School District Organization (County Committee) met on Wednesday, October 7, 2015, at the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) in Downey. The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m., by Mr. Frank Bostrom.

Members Present
Frank Bostrom
Maria Calix
Nicole Drapkin
Ted Edmiston
Owen Griffith
Joan Jakubowski
John Nunez
Frank Ogaz
Suzan Solomon
AJ Willmer

Members Absent
Joel Peterson

Staff Present
Keith D. Crafton, Secretary
Allison Deegan, Staff
Eric Hass, Staff
Diane Tayag, Staff
Anna Heredia, Staff

Mr. Frank Bostrom called the meeting to order.

Ms. Suzan Solomon led the flag salute.

It was MOVED by Mr. Frank Ogaz and SECONDED by Ms. Suzan Solomon that the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 1, 2015 be approved. Motion carried.

Secretary Crafton stated that there were no presentations from the public.

Secretary Crafton directed the Committee to review articles in their folders that pertain to CVRA activity.
Secretary Crafton stated that the process is moving along, staff has contracted with Terry Hayes and Associates to prepare the CEQA report. A request for more information from the Chief Petitioners and also the districts involved will be submitted. We currently have received information from the L.A. County Assessors’ office that staff will use as part of the final report. The time frame is approximately 3-6 months.

Secretary Crafton stated that there is lots of activity. Several districts including Saugus Union School District and the Santa Clarita Community College District are moving to trustee areas.

Secretary Crafton stated that Dr. Allison Deegan presented at the Annual School District Organization Secretaries Summit on October 2, 2015.

Secretary Crafton stated that several bills are waiting to be signed by the governor.

Secretary Crafton stated that the website continues to be updated.

Mr. AJ Willmer stated that the Committee met and that they are working on four main points as follows:

- A change of term for the upcoming vacancy for the County Committee.
- Definition of “mail” to include “e-mail”
- Issues of time allotment for future public hearings
- Adjusting terminology to define “bylaws” or “policies”

Secretary Crafton stated there are no updates to report.

Secretary Crafton stated there is lots of activity. There are several potential petitions having to do with districts such as Santa Monica Malibu, Hawthorne School District, and Monrovia USD/Arcadia USD.

Discussion occurred regarding election voter turnout, and what can be done to increase it.

Secretary Crafton announced that Joan Jakubowski is retiring, the Committee thanked Ms. Jakubowski for her service.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:40 a.m.