September 23, 2016

TO: Members of the Los Angeles County Committee on School District Organization (County Committee)

FROM: Keith D. Crafton, Secretary
County Committee

SUBJECT: Regular Meeting of the County Committee - Wednesday, October 5, 2016

The next regular meeting of the County Committee will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 5, 2016, in the Board Room of the Los Angeles County Office of Education, at 9300 Imperial Highway in Downey. Reserved parking spaces will be available on the east side of the building for County Committee members.

Attached is the agenda for the meeting of October 5, 2016.

If you have questions, please call me at (562) 922-6144.

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Attachments
AGENDA

LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION (COUNTY COMMITTEE)

Regular Meeting

Los Angeles County Office of Education
Board Room
October 5, 2016
9:30 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER – Chair Ms. Suzan Solomon

II. FLAG SALUTE – Chair Solomon

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Chair Solomon I, D, A

The minutes of the regular meeting of the County Committee, held on September 7, 2016, will be submitted for approval. (Enclosure)

IV. COMMUNICATIONS – Secretary Mr. Keith Crafton I, D, A

V. PRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC – Secretary Crafton I, D, A

Any persons present desiring to address the County Committee on any proper matter may do so at this time. (Form to be completed and submitted to the secretary)
VI. PETITION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF TRUSTEE AREAS AND TRUSTEE AREA VOTING, WITHIN THE CASTAIC UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT (SD) – Secretary Crafton

The Secretary will provide an update on the Castaic Union SD’s process to establish trustee areas and trustee area voting.

VII. PETITION TO TRANSFER TERRITORY FROM THE GLENDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (USD) TO THE LA CANADA USD – Secretary Crafton

The Secretary will provide an update on a petition to transfer territory from the Glendale USD to the La Canada USD.

VIII. PETITION TO TRANSFER TERRITORY FROM THE LAWNDALE SD AND THE CENTINELA VALLEY UNION HSD TO THE WISEBURN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT USD – Secretary Crafton

The Secretary will provide an update on the petition to transfer territory from the Lawndale SD and Centinela Valley Union HSD to the Wiseburn USD.

IX. UPDATE ON THE CALIFORNIA VOTING RIGHTS ACT (CVRA) AND TRUSTEE AREA ISSUES – Secretary Crafton

The Secretary and staff will provide an update on CVRA activities in Los Angeles County and statewide.

X. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Secretary Crafton

The secretary will provide an update on current legislation and discuss the legislative advocacy process. (Attachment 1)

XI. UPDATE ON COUNTY COMMITTEE WEBSITE – Secretary Crafton

The Secretary and staff will provide an update on the County Committee website.

XII. UPDATE ON REVIEW OF COUNTY COMMITTEE POLICIES – Chair Solomon

The Chairperson will request a report from the County Committee policy review subcommittee.
XIII. UPDATE ON LOS ANGELES USD REORGANIZATION PROPOSALS – Secretary Crafton

The Secretary will provide an update on school district reorganization proposals affecting the Los Angeles USD. (“Summary of Los Angeles USD Reorganization Proposals”). [Attachment 2]

XIV. UPDATE ON LOS ANGELES COUNTY REORGANIZATION PROPOSALS, EXCLUDING THOSE AFFECTING THE LOS ANGELES USD – Secretary Crafton

The Secretary will provide an update on school district reorganization proposals affecting Los Angeles County school and community college districts, other than the Los Angeles USD. (“Summary of Los Angeles County School District Reorganization Proposals [excluding those affecting the Los Angeles USD]”). [Attachment 3]

XV. NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR NEW OFFICERS

Ms. Solomon will appoint a Nominating Committee to recommend candidates to fill the positions of chairperson and vice chairperson for the 2017 year. The Nominating Committee will present its report at the January 4, 2017 regular meeting, at which time the County Committee will vote on the recommendations provided.

XVI. EVALUATION OF THE SECRETARY AND STAFF TO THE COUNTY COMMITTEE

Each member of the County Committee will be requested to complete a performance evaluation form concerning the secretary and staff to the County Committee. Ms. Solomon will appoint a three-person Evaluation Committee who will receive the completed evaluation forms from the members, and consolidate the information into an evaluation report. The report will be presented to the County Committee for discussion/approval at a regular meeting designated by the chairperson.

XVII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Additional communications, future agenda items, County Committee meeting schedule.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT
The Los Angeles County Committee on School District Organization (County Committee) met on Wednesday, September 7, 2016, at the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) in Downey. The meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m., by Ms. Susan Solomon.

**Members Present**
- Susan Andriacchi
- Frank Bostrom
- Maria Calix
- Owen Griffith
- Nicole Kluft
- John Nunez
- Joel Peterson
- Frank Ogaz
- Suzan Solomon
- AJ Willmer

**Members Absent**
- Ted Edmiston

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

Ms. Susan Solomon called the meeting to order.

Ms. Solomon led the flag salute.

It was **MOVED** by Mr. Joel Peterson and **SECONDED** by Mr. Frank Bostrom that the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 4, 2016 be approved. Motion carried. Votes were as follows:

- Ms. Susan Andriacchi-Yes
- Ms. Maria Calix-Yes
- Ms. Nicole Kluft-Yes
- Mr. Frank Bostrom-Yes
- Mr. Owen Griffith-Yes
- Mr. John Nunez-Yes
- Mr. Frank Ogaz-Yes
- Mr. Joel Peterson-Yes
- Ms. Suzan Solomon-Yes
- Mr. AJ Willmer-Yes

Secretary Crafton stated that there are a number of items in the folders. Any speakers who signed up to speak will do so when their specific item is heard.
Secretary Crafton informed the Committee that we received a petition to add trustee areas and trustee area voting in the Castaic Union School District (SD). The district will be holding its local informational hearings and outreach in the Fall and/or Winter. Staff will keep the Committee informed about possible dates for the hearings in the Castaic Union SD.

Secretary Crafton presented a petition to transfer certain territory from the Glendale Unified School District (USD) to the La Canada USD. The petition was examined by staff and the signatures validated by the Los Angeles County Registrar Recorder/County Clerk and deemed to be sufficient to move forward.

Secretary Crafton stated that in the next 60 days, staff will schedule two public hearings, one in Glendale USD and one in La Canada USD, and then a feasibility study will be conducted by staff.

Multiple speakers addressed the Committee on this petition, including the Chief Petitioners, representatives of the impacted school districts and their attorneys, and other interested members of the public.

Secretary Crafton stated that the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) study, was performed by Terry A. Hayes and Associates. A Negative Declaration was filed and held open for the mandated public review and comment period. Staff has gathered comments from the public on the Negative Declaration and has placed them in the Committee members’ folders. To date, we received one comment from the Lawndale School District and copies are in the folders.

Ms. Solomon, County Committee Chair, opened a Public Hearing to receive public comment on the CEQA and to consider the adoption of a Negative Declaration.

Chief Petitioner Shavonda Webber-Christmas and Mr. Eddie Urenda, a member of the public addressed the Committee.

Ms. Solomon closed the Public Hearing on the adoption of the Negative Declaration at 10:42 a.m.

Ms. Solomon reopened the Public Hearing at 10:59, at which point Mr. Bostrom made a motion to adopt the Negative Declaration, seconded by Susan Andriacchi.

The Committee’s vote is as follows:

Ms. Susan Andriacchi-Yes  Mr. Frank Bostrom-Yes
Ms. Maria Calix-Yes       Mr. Owen Griffith-Yes
Ms. Nicole Kluft-Yes      Mr. John Nunez-No
Mr. Frank Ogaz-No          Mr. Joel Peterson-Yes
Ms. Suzan Solomon-Yes      Mr. AJ Willmer-Yes
Secretary Crafton presented additional materials on this petition requested by the Committee:
1. Tax analysis of Auditor-Controller’s findings.
2. Information on API performance.
3. LCFF scenario example

Several members of the community addressed the Committee along with representatives of the impacted districts and the Chief Petitioners.

Mr. Joel Peterson made a motion to finalize the Committee’s approval of the petition approved the petition, Mr. Bostrom seconded. After discussion the Committee’s vote is as follows:

Ms. Susan Andriacchi-Abstain  
Ms. Maria Calix- Yes  
Ms. Nicole Kluft-Yes  
Mr. Frank Ogaz-No  
Ms. Suzan Solomon-Yes

Mr. Frank Bostrom-Yes  
Mr. Owen Griffith-Yes  
Mr. John Nunez-No  
Mr. Joel Peterson-Yes  
Mr. AJ Willmer-Yes

Secretary Crafton stated that since the Committee approved the petition, they must vote on the election area. Staff recommends that the Committee designate the transfer area as the election area.

Mr. Bostrom made a motion to accept the recommendation of the staff, Ms. Calix seconded. The Committee’s vote is as follows:

Ms. Susan Andriacchi-Abstain  
Ms. Maria Calix- Yes  
Ms. Nicole Kluft-Yes  
Mr. Frank Ogaz-No  
Ms. Suzan Solomon-Yes

Mr. Frank Bostrom-Yes  
Mr. Owen Griffith-Yes  
Mr. John Nunez-No  
Mr. Joel Peterson-Yes  
Mr. AJ Willmer-Yes

Chairperson Solomon stated that this concludes the matter, the results will be reported to the State Board of Education as required by Code.

Secretary Crafton informed the Committee that there are several districts that are in the process of moving to trustee areas, or are holding their initial elections with trustee areas in place.

He stated that another issue impacting CVRA is AB350, the full bill text is included in the agenda packet. If passed, this bill could address many of the issues that districts have regarding the move to trustee areas.

Secretary Crafton referred the Committee to their folders. There are several bills that the Committee is tracking.

Secretary Crafton stated that the website continues to be updated. He reported that all of the district maps have been added to the website.

Petition to Transfer Territory from the Lawndale SD and the Centinela Valley Union HSD to the Wiseburn USD

Update on the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) and Trustee Area Issues

Legislative Update

Update on the County Committee Website
Mr. AJ Willmer did not have a report to give at this time.

Secretary Crafton stated that Ms. Vibiana Andrade, General Counsel will assist with the County Committee Policies. She will be in contact with Mr. Willmer regarding proceeding with the review plan.

Secretary Crafton stated there are no updates to report.

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Secretary Crafton stated that staff will be reaching out to members’ availability regarding public hearing dates for the Castaic Union SD trustee area hearing and the Glendale/La Canada USD transfer petition public hearings.

A schedule has been provided for future County Committee Meetings.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:23 a.m.
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION (COUNTY COMMITTEE) LEGISLATIVE REVIEW – OCTOBER 2016

BILL NUMBER/AUTHOR: Assembly Bill 278 / Hernandez
INTRODUCTION DATE: 02/11/15
LAST ACTIVITY/DATE: 09/09/16: Presented to Governor.

DESCRIPTION OF BILL
This bill would enable the legislative body of any city to adopt an ordinance, without voter approval, for the election of the members of the legislative body to be by district.

POTENTIAL IMPACT OF BILL ON LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMITTEE, SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION PROCESS AND/OR LOS ANGELES COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS
It is not yet clear how this bill would impact Los Angeles County school districts. It may trigger increased activity related to the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA).

RECOMMENDED POSITION
Staff recommends the following position:

☑️ Watch  Bill should be monitored by County Committee staff, but no action taken at this time.
☐ Approve  County Committee supports the bill’s concept, but will not actively work for passage.
☐ Support  County Committee actively supports the bill.
☐ Oppose  County Committee actively opposes the bill.
☐ Disapprove  County Committee disapproves of the bill’s concept, but will not actively oppose passage.
DESCRIPTION OF BILL

This bill provides a framework for districts to respond to a California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) claim and, if they take action within 45 days, to implement trustee areas and trustee area voting, to avoid litigation costs and large settlements. This bill would require a political subdivision to hold at least four public hearings on the consideration of maps for the election of the members of the legislative body to be by district. At least two hearings are to be before drawing a draft map or maps over a period of not less than 30 days, and at least two hearings are to be after the drawing of at least one draft map over a period of not less than 45 days, and the map or maps are to be made available to the public at least seven days before said hearings. Once a final map is selected, it is to be made available to the public for review at least seven days before being adopted. This bill will also limit plaintiff(s) reimbursement to $30,000.

POTENTIAL IMPACT OF BILL ON LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMITTEE, SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION PROCESS AND/OR LOS ANGELES COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS

This bill would require Los Angeles County school districts to engage in additional publicizing of their public hearings related to the implementation of trustee areas. The bill provides for reimbursement of such costs by the state, as well as monetary relief from some of the high fees associated with plaintiff-driven actions.

RECOMMENDED POSITION

Staff recommends the following position:

- **Watch** Bill should be monitored by County Committee staff, but no action taken at this time.
- **Approve** County Committee supports the bill’s concept, but will not actively work for passage.
- **Support** County Committee actively supports the bill.
- **Oppose** County Committee actively opposes the bill.
- **Disapprove** County Committee disapproves of the bill’s concept, but will not actively oppose passage.
DESCRIPTION OF BILL

This bill would enable the elected body of a special district to adopt, without voter approval, a requirement that the election of the members be by trustee areas. This shall not apply to cities, counties, schools, nor community college districts.

POTENTIAL IMPACT OF BILL ON LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMITTEE, SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION PROCESS AND/OR LOS ANGELES COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS

It is not yet clear how this bill would impact Los Angeles County school districts. It may trigger increased activity related to the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA).

RECOMMENDED POSITION

Staff recommends the following position:

- **Watch**: Bill should be monitored by County Committee staff, but no action taken at this time.
- **Approve**: County Committee supports the bill’s concept, but will not actively work for passage.
- **Support**: County Committee actively supports the bill.
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**DESCRIPTION OF BILL**

This bill would authorize a city, county, or local educational agency to conduct an election using ranked choice voting, in which voters rank the candidates for office in order of preference.

**POTENTIAL IMPACT OF BILL ON LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMITTEE, SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION PROCESS AND/OR LOS ANGELES COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS**

It is not yet clear how this bill would impact Los Angeles County school districts and school district elections.

**RECOMMENDED POSITION**

Staff recommends the following position:

- **Watch** Bill should be monitored by County Committee staff, but no action taken at this time.
- **Approve** County Committee supports the bill’s concept, but will not actively work for passage.
- **Support** County Committee actively supports the bill.
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**AMENDMENTS REQUIRED**

If staff’s recommended position is based on the need for amendments to the bill language, suggested alternative language is attached.

**CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRED**

If staff’s recommended position is based on the need for correspondence to the bill’s author, the Governor or other governmental officials, a draft of suggested language is attached.

**Please direct all comments to Mr. Keith D. Crafton, County Committee Secretary at (562) 922-6131.**
Summary of Los Angeles Unified School District Reorganization Proposals

October 2016

The following is a summary of school district reorganization proposals affecting the Los Angeles Unified School District (USD) that were at various stages in the school district organization process as of September 20, 2016.

RECENT INQUIRIES REGARDING REORGANIZATION (within the last two years)

Formation Proposals/Last Activity Date

- Inner City USD / January 2016

Transfer of Territory Proposals/Last Activity Date

- None
Summary of Los Angeles County School District Reorganization Proposals  
(Excluding those affecting the Los Angeles Unified School District)

October 2016

The following is a summary of school district reorganization proposals [exclusive of those affecting the Los Angeles Unified School District (USD)] that are at various stages in the school district reorganization process as of September 20, 2016.

PETITION TO TRANSFER TERRITORY FROM THE GLENDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (USD) TO THE LA CANADA USD

On November 23, 2015, LACOE received a request for a petition pursuant to EC §35700, to transfer certain territory from the Glendale USD to the La Canada USD. The request was submitted by chief petitioners Ms. Nalini Lasiewicz, Mr. Thomas G. Smith, and Mr. Nick P. Karapetian. The petition was forwarded to County Counsel to determine its legal compliance regarding format and content. On January 13, 2016, County Counsel deemed the petition sufficient. Staff returned the petition to the chief petitioners on January 15, 2016.

On June 29, 2016, the chief petitioners submitted signed petitions for review. On June 30, 2016, staff conveyed the signed petitions to the Registrar-Recorder for signature verification. On July 18, 2016, staff received notice from the Registrar-Recorder that there were sufficient signatures to move the petition forward.

The petition was presented to the County Committee on September 7, 2016. The County Committee will schedule at least two public hearings, with at least one to be held in each district, and a feasibility study will be conducted which will be presented to the County Committee at a later date.

Status: Public hearings being scheduled in both districts  
*Status Date: September 20, 2016

PETITION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF TRUSTEE AREAS AND TRUSTEE AREA VOTING, WITHIN THE CASTAIC UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT (SD)

The Castaic Union SD submitted a petition on March 10, 2016, to establish trustee areas and trustee area voting. It was presented to the County Committee on May 4, 2016. The County Committee will schedule a public hearing which will be held in the district, and a feasibility study will be conducted which will be presented to the County Committee at a later date.
Status: Public hearing to be scheduled after district turns in final map
Status Date: August 15, 2016

PETITION TO TRANSFER TERRITORY FROM THE CENTINELA VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (HSD) AND LAWNDALE SD TO THE WISEBURN USD

On May 15, 2014, LACOE received a request for a petition pursuant to EC §35700, to transfer territory from the Centinela Valley Union HSD and the Lawndale SD to the Wiseburn USD. The request was submitted by chief petitioners Ms. Shavonda Webber-Christmas and Mr. Bill Magoon. The petition was forwarded to County Counsel to determine its legal compliance regarding format and content. On June 20, 2014, County Counsel deemed the petition sufficient. Staff returned the petition to the chief petitioners on June 23, 2014.

On October 15, 2014, the chief petitioners submitted signed petitions for review. On October 15, 2014, staff conveyed the signed petitions to the Registrar-Recorder for signature verification. On November 6, 2014, staff received notice from the Registrar-Recorder that there were insufficient signatures to move the petition forward. Staff notified the chief petitioners, who elected to gather additional signatures. On December 4, 2014, the chief petitioners submitted additional signatures, which were submitted to the Registrar-Recorder on December 5, 2014 for signature verification. On December 22, 2014, the Registrar Recorder notified staff that the additional signatures were validated, and the petition had sufficient signatures to move forward.

The petition was presented to the County Committee on January 7, 2015. Two public hearings were held March 2, 2015, one in each of the affected districts. A feasibility study was presented on July 8, 2015, at which time the County Committee preliminarily approved the transfer, pending further collection and review of additional fiscal data, and as an environmental review. Supplemental requests for information were sent to the impacted districts and to the chief petitioners, with replies received from all parties. The supplemental information, as good as the results of a CEQA consultant’s review of the petition’s environmental impact was presented to the County Committee on May 4, 2016. Additional information brought forward on May 4, 2016, resulted in additional questions and further information gathering, after which the proposal was reexamined at the County Committee meeting on September 7, 2016. At that meeting, the proposal’s preliminary approval was affirmed, and the petition area was selected to be the voting area.

The districts that are parties to the action have until October 7, 2016, to file an appeal.

Status: Future ballot measure preparations suspended until appeal period elapses
*Status Date: September 19, 2016
FORMATION—MALIBU USD (CURRENTLY LIES WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE SANTA MONICA-MALIBU USD)

On July 23, 2015, LACOE received a request for a petition from chief petitioner Mr. Seth Jacobson, a community member who is a Malibu resident. Mr. Jacobson, along with two other chief petitioners, wants to form a separate Malibu USD from territory within the boundaries of the existing Santa Monica-Malibu USD.

Staff reviewed the request and forwarded a draft petition to County Counsel on July 27, 2015, for a legal compliance review regarding format and content. We received notification on July 30, 2015, from County Counsel informing us that the draft petition was legally acceptable. The petition was mailed to the chief petitioner on July 31, 2015, for circulation within the petition area. Staff is informed that signatures have been gathered, but not yet presented for signature verification, as the petitioners negotiate with the district. Staff is informed that a joint committee appointed by both the district and the City of Malibu is studying the implications of this petition.

Status: Petitioners in negotiation.
Status Date: March 18, 2016

PETITION TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF TRUSTEES FROM FIVE TO SEVEN WITHIN THE POMONA USD

On April 8, 2015, LACOE received a request for a petition pursuant to EC §5020 to increase the number of trustees from five to seven within the Pomona USD. The request was submitted by chief petitioner Mr. John Mendoza. The petition was forwarded to County Counsel to determine its legal compliance regarding format and content. On April 27, 2015, County Counsel deemed the petition sufficient. Staff returned the petition to the chief petitioner on April 29, 2015, for circulation.

Please note that this is a separate petition, distinct from the other petitions requested by Mr. Mendoza, and requests some of the same changes within the Pomona Unified School District (the addition of two governing board members). It was submitted under EC §5020(c) and, based on the number of registered voters in the Pomona USD, requires valid signatures from at least 10% of the registered voters within the petition area. If valid and certified by the County Committee, this petition would trigger a vote within the district, before which the County Committee may choose to hold one or more public hearings on the proposal.

Status: Petitioner is gathering signatures.
Status Date: May 26, 2015
FORMATION—ALTADENA USD (CURRENTLY LIES WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE PASADENA USD)

On January 17, 2006, LACOE received a request for a petition from chief petitioners Ms. Maurice Morse, Ms. Shirlee Smith, and Mr. Bruce Wasson, three community members who are residents of the area known as Altadena. The chief petitioners want to form an Altadena USD from territory within the boundaries of the Pasadena USD. The petition request was returned to the chief petitioners on January 20, 2006, because it lacked an adequate description of the area pursuant to EC §35700.3.

On February 10, 2006, LACOE received a revised request for a petition. Staff reviewed the request and forwarded a draft petition to County Counsel on February 22, 2006, for a legal compliance review regarding format and content. We received notification on March 6, 2006, from County Counsel informing us that the draft petition was legally acceptable.

On March 7, 2006, staff forwarded the draft petition to the Registrar-Recorder for verification that the description of the proposed boundaries of the Altadena USD was sufficiently clear (so registered voters residing within the proposed petition area could be identified with specificity). The Registrar-Recorder confirmed that the description was sufficient on March 10, 2006.

The petition was mailed to the chief petitioners on March 14, 2006, for circulation within the petition area. The Registrar-Recorder estimated the chief petitioners will need to collect approximately 7,000 valid signatures in order to meet the criteria set forth in EC §35700(a).

On September 23, 2010, chief petitioners delivered signed petitions to LACOE. Staff submitted the petitions to the Registrar-Recorder on September 27, 2010, for signature verification. On October 22, 2010, the Registrar-Recorder notified staff there were insufficient valid signatures (less than the required 25 percent of the registered voters within the petition area). Staff notified the chief petitioners of the insufficiency, and at Mr. Wasson’s request, returned the petitions to the Registrar-Recorder for a signature audit. Staff also advised the chief petitioner regarding the collection of additional signatures. Upon notification by the Registrar-Recorder of a sufficient number of valid signatures, staff will present the petition to the County Committee at the next regular meeting.

On January 4, 2011, staff conferred with a representative from the Registrar-Recorder’s office, who informed us that no audit of petition signatures had been done yet, and they clarified the cost of signature verification. On February 15 and March 1, 2011, staff contacted the Registrar-Recorder and were informed that the signature audit had still not been done. On May 12, 2011, staff from the Registrar-Recorder’s office advised LACOE that an audit of the petition’s signatures was underway. On November 28, 2011, the chief petitioner Mr. Wasson notified LACOE of the death of one of the co-chief petitioners, Ms. Morse. Mr. Wasson stated that another chief petitioner would not be named.
In August of 2014, staff confirmed that petitioner is still interested in collecting additional signatures.

Status: Petition insufficient; chief petitioners may gather additional signatures.
Status Date: December 5, 2011

FORMATION—MALIBU USD (CURRENTLY LIES WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE SANTA MONICA-MALIBU USD)

Status: Petition in circulation.
Status Date: February 21, 2008

FORMATION—LA MIRADA USD (CURRENTLY LIES WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE NORWALK – LA MIRADA USD)

Status: Petition in circulation.
Status Date: March 20, 2007

Unification Proposals/Last Activity Date

• None

Transfer of Territory Proposals/Last Activity Date

• Monrovia USD to Arcadia USD/September 2015
• Pasadena USD to La Canada USD/April 2013
• Temple City USD to Arcadia USD/March 2012

Formation Proposals/Last Activity Date

• Malibu USD (Santa Monica-Malibu USD)/August 2015

Trustee Areas and Governing Board Size/Last Activity Date

• Lawndale SD / April 2016
• Snowline Joint USD / April 2016
• El Monte Union HSD / March 2016
• Walnut USD / May 2016
• Pomona USD / June 2015

* = indicates activity since last meeting

This document was prepared by staff to the County Committee.