

**Santa Cruz County Committee on School District Organization**

**Thursday, June 20, 2019**

**4:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter as soon as the matter can be heard**

**Santa Cruz County Office of Education, Ocean/Pacific Conference Room**

**400 Encinal St., Santa Cruz CA 95060**

**APPROVED MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

Committee Present:

Jane Royer Barr  
Rose Filicetti  
Sandra Nichols  
Sue Roth  
Dana Sales  
Abel Sanchez  
Bruce Van Allen (Chair)

Staff Present:

Sage Leibenson (Secretary)  
Faris Sabbah

Absent:

None

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was not recited.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

There was no motion made to change or approve the agenda.

**4. INFORMATION**

Per Education Code § 5019, the Committee must conduct a public hearing to review and discuss the final map of Santa Cruz City School District trustee areas, which is proposed for a change from an at-large system of electing trustees to the nomination and election of trustees by trustee areas, to be created through this process. This matter has been considered at a number of hearings at the district level.

**5. PUBLIC HEARING**

Chairperson Van Allen opened the public hearing at 5:44 p.m and explained the process for the meeting.

The following representatives from Santa Cruz City Schools introduced themselves:

Sarah Kaatz, Attorney, Lozano Smith, legal counsel for Santa Cruz City Schools.  
Molly Parks, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, Santa Cruz City Schools.  
Doug Johnson, Demographer, National Demographics.

Chairperson Van Allen asked the Committee if they had any questions at this point. No questions were asked by the Committee.

Mr. Frank Zotter, legal counsel for the Santa Cruz County Committee on School District Organization, introduced himself and briefly summarized the proceedings that led up to today's meeting and vote.

**5.1 PRESENTATION**

Ms. Sarah Kaatz gave a presentation of the legal requirements and steps Santa Cruz City Schools have taken to develop the final map being of Santa Cruz City School District trustee areas proposed by Santa Cruz City Schools. She explained the California Voting Rights Act and described the process to establish by-trustee area elections.

Molly Parks explained the steps taken by Santa Cruz City Schools for community engagement on this proposal.

Doug Johnson explained the evolution of the maps developed through the district and community engagement process and presented the final proposed Map to the committee.

The Committee asked clarifying questions about the presentation.

**5.2 PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairperson Van Allen invited any member of the public who wished to make a comment to do so. No comments from the public were made.

**6. CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING**

Chairperson Van Allen invited any representative of the Santa Cruz City Schools school district to make a closing remark. No closing remarks were made.

Chairperson Van Allen closed the public hearing.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**8. ACTION ITEMS**

**8.1 RESOLUTION #19-01**

The Board was asked either approve or disapprove the Resolution #19-01 regarding the proposed trustee area map No. 102(b) for Santa Cruz City Schools school district.

It was M.S.C. (Sales/Filicetti) to approve Resolution #19-01, approving trustee area map No. 102(b).

Ayes:	Barr, Filicetti, Nichols, Roth, Sales, Sanchez, Van Allen
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairperson Van Allen adjourned the meeting at 6:34 p.m.

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