

TULARE COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION MINUTES

The Tulare County Committee on School District Organization met and held its annual organizational meeting on October 10, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at the Tulare County Office of Education – Redwood Conference, 6200 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia, California

The County Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman, Joe Hallmeyer at 5:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT	John Beck, Vahnn Blue, Joe Hallmeyer, Mickey Hirni, Melissa Janes, Bob Pugh, Helen Renteria, Myron Sheklian (initially elected to fill the vacancy in District 3 during the current meeting), Drew Sorensen and Milt Stowe
MEMBERS ABSENT	None
COUNTY STAFF	Tim A. Hire, Tulare County Superintendent of Schools Fernie Marroquin, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Vanessa Cantu, Administrative Legal Assistant
OTHER GUESTS	Delbert Quintana Desiree Serrano
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Chairman Hallmeyer led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance
DISABILITY-RELATED MODIFICATIONS OR ACCOMMODATION	ADA accommodations have been met.
PUBLIC COMMENTS	Members of the public did not address the Committee on any agenda item, or other item of interest within the subject matter jurisdiction of the committee during the public comment period.
RATIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS FOR COUNTY COMMITTEE MEMBERS	Vanessa Cantu reported that 33 out of 44 school district representatives returned ballots to elect members to fill vacancies in District 1, 2, and 3. Vahnn Blue received the highest vote tally for District 1 with 32 votes, Melissa Janes received the highest vote tally for District 2 with 31 votes, and Myron Sheklian received the highest vote tally for District 3 with 32. Bob Pugh made a motion to ratify the election results, which was seconded by Drew Sorensen. The motion was carried unanimously. Vote: Aye – Beck, Blue, Hallmeyer, Hirni Janes, Pugh, Renteria, Sorensen and Stowe; No – None; Absent – None
APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBER – VACANCY IN DISTRICT 4	Chairman Hallmeyer announced the need to appoint a new County Committee member to represent Supervisorial District 4 and to hold office for the remaining time of member Mary Helen Espino's

unexpired term, created by her resignation. Mr. Hallmeyer nominated a candidate, Delbert Quintana.

To fill the vacancy in Supervisorial District 4, a motion to appoint Mr. Quintana was made by Melissa Janes. Vahnn Blue seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Quintana will serve the remaining term of this seat, through 2026.

Vote: Aye – Beck, Blue, Hallmeyer, Hirni Janes, Pugh, Renteria, Sheklian, Sorensen, and Stowe; No – None; Absent – None

SELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

For chairperson for 2024, a motion was made by Drew Sorensen to nominate Joe Hallmeyer. Helen Renteria seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Vote: Aye – Beck, Blue, Hallmeyer, Hirni Janes, Pugh, Renteria, Sheklian, Sorensen, Stowe and Quintana; No – None; Absent – None

SELECTION OF VICE CHAIRPERSON

For vice chairperson for 2024, a motion was made by Milt Stowe to nominate Melissa Janes. Mickey Hirni seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Vote: Aye – Beck, Blue, Hallmeyer, Hirni Janes, Pugh, Renteria, Sheklian, Sorensen, Stowe and Quintana; No – None; Absent – None

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 17, 2022

A motion was made by Drew Sorensen, seconded by Melissa Janes and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2022 organizational meeting, as presented.

Vote: Aye – Beck, Blue, Hallmeyer, Hirni, Janes, Pugh, Renteria, Sheklian, Sorensen, Stowe and Quintana; No – None; Absent – None

NEXT MEETING

Mr. Hire explained that at this point there was no reason to set a date for the next meeting. He does not anticipate any upcoming issues and unless there is a significant change, the next meeting will be the annual organizational meeting, in one year. Mr. Hire thanked the members for attending and recognized the committee's value.

Chairman Hallmeyer stated the date for the next meeting is to be determined.

ADJOURN

As there was no further business, Chairman Hallmeyer adjourned the meeting at 5:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Tim A. Hire, Ex-Officio Secretary
County Committee on School District Organization