

Marin County Committee on School District Organization

Memorandum

To: School District Superintendents
School District Trustees
Marin County Committee on School District Organization

From: Terena Mares, Secretary Designee
Marin County Committee on School District Organization

Subject: **Election of Members to the Marin County Committee on School District Organization**

Date: Monday, November 9, 2015
6:00 p.m.
Marin County Office of Education, 1111 Las Gallinas Avenue, San Rafael

A meeting of school district trustee representatives will be held on Monday, November 9, 2015 to elect three members to the Marin County Committee on School District Organization. The members whose terms expire in 2015 are:

Karen Crockett	Supervisorial District #1
Elizabeth Robbins	Supervisorial District #2
Nadine Agosta	Supervisorial District #3

- At this time all incumbents (Karen Crockett, Elizabeth Robbins and Nadine Agosta) are interested in running for another term on the County Committee.

The attached policy shall govern the election of members to the County Committee on School District Organization. Please note that Candidates for the County Committee may be nominated by any citizen of Marin County.

Also attached is a nomination for membership form, and a roster of the present County Committee. The attached election procedures are the same as those employed at the time of the last election.

Please contact me with any questions.

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NOMINATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
MARIN COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

Date _____

I hereby nominate (Mr./Mrs./Ms.) _____
as a candidate for election to the Marin County Committee on School District
Organization for the following vacancy:

_____ Supervisorial District #1

_____ Supervisorial District #2

_____ Supervisorial District #3

The above-stated nominee resides at the following address:

Phone _____ (res.) _____ (bus.)

I further verify that the nominee has given approval for his or her nomination.

Signature

Address

City Phone

The county superintendent of schools requests the nominee to submit a brief written statement, no later than October 30, 2015, on why he or she wishes to serve on the committee. The nominee should plan to attend the November 9, 2015 meeting to be interviewed by the trustee representatives of the school district boards. Voting will be announced at the meeting.

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POLICY STATEMENT
ON ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE
MARIN COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

The following sections from the Education Code are pertinent to the election of members to the Marin County Committee on School District Organization:

Section 4003

In every county with six or more school districts or community college districts in the territory under the jurisdiction of the county superintendent of schools of the county, the county committee on school district organization shall have eleven (11) members.

Section 4005

(a) The county superintendent of schools shall call an annual meeting of the representatives of the governing board of each school district, elected pursuant to Section 35023, and the representatives of the governing board of each community college district, elected pursuant to Section 72403. This annual meeting shall be held between October 1 and December 1.

(b) The county superintendent of schools shall give notice of the annual meeting to the representatives of each governing board by prepaid mail addressed to the clerk or secretary of the governing board of each district. The notice shall be deemed sufficient and complete when deposited in the United States mail.

Section 4006

(a) Any vacancy created by the expiration of the term of office of a member of the county committee on school district organization shall be filled by the majority vote of the representatives of the governing boards at the annual meeting called and held pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 4005.

(b) If the representatives fail to elect members to fill out the vacancies on the county committee pursuant to subdivision (a), the vacancies shall be filled by the county superintendent of schools.

(c) Vacancies on the county committee which occur prior to the expiration of the term of office of a member of the county committee, which are caused by the happening of any of the events specified in Section 1770 to the Government Code, shall be filled as follows:

- (1) In a county in which the members of the county committee are appointed by the county superintendent of schools, by the appointment of the county superintendent of schools.

- (2) In a county in which the members of the county committee are elected by the representatives of the governing boards, by the majority vote of the remaining members of the committee. However, if the remaining members of the committee do not fill the vacancy within 70 days of its occurrence, the county superintendent of schools shall fill the vacancy by his or her appointment.

Persons elected or appointed to fill a vacancy pursuant to this subdivision shall hold office for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Section 4007

No county superintendent of schools, employee of the office of a county superintendent of schools, employee of a school district, or employee of a community college district shall be a member of the county committee. Any member of the governing board of a school district or community college district in the same or any other county who is otherwise eligible may simultaneously serve as a member of the county committee.

Section 4008

At least two members of every county committee shall be elected from among the registered voters residing within each county supervisorial district in the county.

Section 4009

The term of each member of the county committee shall begin upon election pursuant to Section 4006 or upon appointment pursuant to section 4002, as appropriate, and shall be for four years.

After reviewing the above mentioned laws and after giving careful consideration to the suggestions offered by the trustee representatives, the school boards of the county, and various other groups and agencies, the County Superintendent has adopted the attached procedure for electing members to the Marin County Committee on School District Organization.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE
MARIN COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION



NOMINATION PROCEDURE

Persons may be nominated for a vacancy on the county committee after July 1 of each year.

Any citizen of Marin County may nominate a person to serve on the Marin County Committee on School District Organization. Current County Committee members may nominate themselves.

Nominees must be 18 years of age or older, a citizen of the State of California, a resident of Marin County, a registered voter, and not disqualified by the Constitution or laws of the state from holding a civil office.

Neither the county superintendent of schools nor any member of his staff nor any employee of a school district shall be a member of the county committee.

School district governing board members are eligible to be county committee members.

Nominations from the floor may also be made during the annual meeting of the trustee representatives. All nominees must have given prior approval to their nomination.

Candidates who have not been nominated in accordance with the above procedure will not be eligible for election.

SUBMISSION OF STATEMENTS

Candidates may submit to the county superintendent of schools not later than 10 days prior to the annual meeting a statement of qualifications not to exceed 150 words. The county superintendent of schools shall cause all such statements to be prepared and distributed to all trustee representatives, schools boards and school district superintendents. The statements will also be available for inspection in the Marin County Office of Education.



ELECTION PROCEDURE

A. Vacancies Required to be Filled from a Supervisorial District

A list containing the names of nominees for vacancies from supervisorial districts will be prepared prior to the election. Names of candidates nominated at the annual meeting will be added to the proper list prior to the election.

B. At-Large Vacancies

A list containing the names of nominees for at-large vacancies will be prepared prior to the election. Names of candidates nominated at the annual meeting will be added to the proper list prior to the election. Candidates nominated to fill a vacancy from a specific supervisorial district and who are defeated may be nominated for any at-large vacancy.

C. Order of Election

1. The election to fill vacancies from supervisorial districts shall always precede the election to fill at-large vacancies.
2. Each vacancy will be voted upon by separate vote, with the candidate receiving the majority of the votes declared elected to the Marin County Committee on School District Organization.
3. Voting will be by a show of hands.

Roster of SDO Committee Members

First Name	Last Name	Address and Email Address	Phone res./ Fax	Term Expires	Supv. District
Nadine	Agosta	21 Marinero Circle, #308A Tiburon, CA 94920 agosta.nadine@gmail.com	415-385-5965	2015	3
Karen	Crockett	82 Creekside Drive San Rafael, CA 94903 karencrockett1@comcast.net	492-3424 (h) 717-5553 (c) 545-3778 (w)	2015	1
Charles	Gompertz	65 Indian Hill, P.O. Box 713 Nicasio, CA charles@nicasio.org	662-2537 (h) 662-2534 (w)	2018	4
Alan	Harris	294 Sunset Parkway Novato, CA 94947 Alan.harris@comcast.net	892-1637 (w) 892-3287 (h)	2017	5
Stephanie	O'Brien	P. O. Box 260 Woodacre, CA 94973 sobrien@dovetail.com	485-1196 (w) 699-7041 (c)	2018	At Large
Kathy	Ohm	1009 Idylberry Rd. San Rafael, CA 94903 kohm@acsa.org	479-5693 (h) 902-5022 (c)	2016	1
Elizabeth	Robbins	P.O. Box 1588 Ross, CA 94957 eliz.robbins@gmail.com	459-9331 443-3169 pager	2015	2
Richard Chairperson	Sloan	P.O. Box 272 Woodacre, CA 94973 r.sloan@comcast.net	488-0902 (h)	2016	4
Stuart Vice Chairperson	Tanenberg	879 Magnolia Avenue Larkspur, CA 94939-1124 Stuart.Tanenberg@yahoo.com	861-5001 (w) 924-5577 (h)	2016	2
Jennifer	Treppa	38 Los Alondras Court Novato, CA 94947 jtreppa@aol.com	892-2573 (h) 312-1177 (c)	2018	5
Raoul	Wertz	21 Skyline Terrace Mill Valley, CA 94941 RaoulWertz@gmail.com	381-2121 (h) 381-3040 (c)	2017	3
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