



Recap of School Board Decision to Approve Request for Rearrangement of Trustee Areas

VOLUME's proposal to request a redistricting of trustee areas was passed by the school board by a 7-0 vote at the March 24, 2015 school board meeting. This directive will serve to rebalance representation on the school board for the first time since 1965.

Lucia Mar staff presented 4 options for the board's consideration ([see agenda description here](#)). The board chose option 3: "Board initiates process to conduct an internal review and make a formal recommendation to the SLO County Office of Education/County Committee for School District Organization from LMUSD. Create a task force committee with staff support." The task force will include representation from all trustee areas and will hold local public input meetings and hearings. Existing demographic data that was collected by the SLOCOE a few years ago for a school district diversity study will be used. Once the task force comes up with a recommendation, it will be reviewed by the school board and submitted to SLOCOE. The estimated timeline is 2-3 months.

New county superintendent of schools, Dr. James Brescia was also on hand to clarify the trustee area rearrangement process. Changes to the trustee areas will take effect with the next school board elections in 2016. According to Dr. Brescia, trustees who are not up for re-election until 2018 will serve out their terms and the trustee area changes would take effect at that time.

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