

# Monterey Peninsula Community College District

## Governing Board Agenda

August 23, 2011

New Business Agenda Item No. A

President's Office  
College Area

### **Proposal:**

That the Governing Board receive a report on trustee area redistricting alternatives to address changes in population identified in the 2010 Census, including a final plan recommendation from the MPC Citizens Redistricting Advisory Committee.

### **Background:**

At the May 24, 2011 Board meeting, the District's demographic consultant, Dr. Jeanne Gobalet, reported she had evaluated 2010 Census data and the District has a total population of 128,205. The ideal population in each of the five trustee areas would be 25,641 or 1/5 of the total population. She determined trustee area 2 (which includes Marina and a portion of Seaside) had gained in population and trustee area 3 (covering Monterey and Del Rey Oaks) had lost population. These population changes required redrawing of trustee area boundaries to ensure equal population distribution within the allowed 10% deviation.

At the June 28, 2011 meeting, the Board appointed a ten-member community advisory committee consisting of two representatives from each of the five trustee areas established in 2008. The committee's role was to review and recommend potential trustee area redistricting changes to the Board. Ms. Fran Gaver agreed to serve as facilitator for the committee meetings. The committee met two times and the meetings were open to the public. A redistricting webpage was created. Information about the committee and the process, including agendas, presentations, and maps, have been posted on the webpage.

The committee first met on July 13, 2011 to review Dr. Gobalet's demographic evaluation and consider options for redrawing trustee area district boundaries. Dr. Gobalet shared two mapping alternatives that would result in minimal change to the boundaries. In response, committee members representing trustee area 2 strongly supported retaining California State University, Monterey Bay (CSUMB) as part of area 2 rather than moving CSUMB to trustee area 3. The representatives for trustee area 1 (covering central Seaside and Sand City) expressed keen interest in moving the Seaside Highlands area from trustee area 2 to trustee area 1. Dr. Gobalet adjusted the boundaries to accommodate these concerns. To address the need for more population in trustee area 3, a portion of the Jack's Peak area in trustee area 5 (including primarily Carmel, Carmel Valley, and the Big Sur area) was moved to area 3. After much discussion, support was expressed by the entire committee for this configuration, known as Plan A. It was agreed Dr. Gobalet would provide a revised map for Plan A with the demographic data for the committee's review and endorsement at the next meeting.

The committee's second meeting occurred on August 3. In addition to Plan A, Dr. Gobalet provided two additional mapping alternatives, Plans B and C. Plan B was a variation of Plan A, with

Sand City being moved from trustee area 1 to trustee area 2. Plan C provided a new scenario, redrawing the trustee areas to follow unified school district boundaries. These alternatives were developed to address the retrogressive effects of Plan A. Retrogression occurs when any change, such as a boundary adjustment, reduces the ability of members of groups protected under the Voting Rights Act to elect a representative of their choice. The federal Department of Justice will consider retrogression when evaluating the redistricting plan for preclearance. Plans B and C also were better than Plan A in following precinct boundaries, which affect implementation of the plan.

Some of the representatives favored the clarity of Plan C since voters would be familiar with school district boundaries. Trustee area 1 and 2 representatives proposed changing Plan B to move Sand City back to trustee area 2 from trustee area 1, to preserve the community of interest represented by the Cities of Seaside and Sand City. This adjustment was made and the plan deviation was 9.4%, within the allowed 10% deviation. After further discussion, the committee voted to recommend the adjusted Plan B, called Plan B-1. Plan B-1 adjusts the boundaries of the current plan as follows:

- Seaside Highlands area is moved from trustee area 2 to trustee area 1,
- All of CSUMB is now in trustee area 1,
- A large portion of the Jack's Peak area is moved from trustee area 5 to trustee area 3.

Plan B-1 has minor retrogressive effects for trustee area 5 only; the other plans all have retrogression occurring in four of the trustee areas.

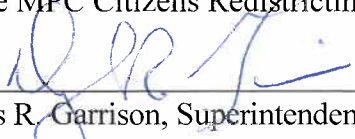
The maps for the four plans considered by the committee and a chart showing the demographic characteristics are attached for the Board's review. Dr. Gobalet will be present at the meeting to review the plans and demographic data. Mr. Mel Mason was selected by the committee to present their recommendation for Plan B-1 to the Board.


The redistricting process approved by the Board provides for the plans and the committee's recommendation to be presented for discussion and an initial public hearing in August, with a second public hearing and consideration/action by the Board in September. Following adoption, the redistricting plan will be submitted to the Department of Justice for preclearance.

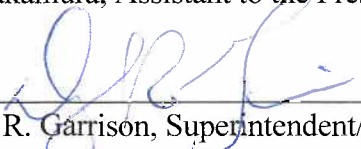
**Budgetary Implications:**

Funding to cover expenses for phases 2-4 of approximately \$34,000 for the consultant's demographic evaluation work has been budgeted in FY 2011-12.

**INFORMATION:** Receive report on trustee area redistricting plans, including the recommended redistricting plan from the MPC Citizens Redistricting Advisory Committee.

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# Monterey Peninsula Community College District

## Governing Board Agenda

August 23, 2011

New Business Agenda Item No. B

President's Office  
College Area

### Proposal:

That the Governing Board hold a public hearing to receive public comments on the plans to redraw trustee area boundaries to address changes in population identified in the 2010 Census, including the plan recommendation from the MPC Citizens Redistricting Advisory Committee.

### Background:

The redistricting process approved by the Board at the May 24, 2011 meeting provides for the plans and the committee's recommendation to be presented for discussion and an initial public hearing in August, with a second public hearing and consideration/action by the Board in September. Following adoption, the redistricting plan will be submitted to the Department of Justice for preclearance.

### Budgetary Implications:


None.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Trustee area redistricting plans, including plan recommendation from MPC Citizens Redistricting Advisory Committee

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