

Better Together for Public Education

Exploring School District Unification in Marin

DRAFT Meeting Minutes November 29, 2021

I. Call to Order

Sheri Mowbray called to order the regular meeting of the Better Together Coalition at 12:00 on November 29, 2021 on Zoom.

II. Roll call

The following members were present: Sheri Mowbray, Sloan Bailey, Laura Anderson, Catherine Way, Ruth Dell, Shelley Hamilton, and Chuck Ford.

III. Minutes from November 8, 2021 meeting approval postponed

IV. Open issues:

Review of follow-up discussion with Marin County Schools Superintendent Burke

- Discussed idea of reducing the number of Superintendents in the County and had questions answered.
 - Could attract high caliber professional looking for more challenge.
 - Could enhance retention and decrease “steppingstone”
 - Would have to increase salaries to make it more attractive and competitive.
 - Better alignment with programming and curriculum
 - Possibilities of demonstrating efficiencies with CBO (Chief Budget Officer)

V: To Do Items:

- Contact Marin Community Foundation about funding ideas - **Catherine and Shelley**
- Additional reach out to Sonoma Supt of Schools for follow-up questions - **Valerie**
- Work on one-sheet to send to school districts, PTAs and Foundations - **Sheri, Doug, Shelley**
- Collect contact info for school board members, superintendents, PTA and Foundation leaders - **Laura**

VI: Adjournment

Sheri adjourned the meeting at 1:00 pm.

Next meeting December 13, 2021.

DRAFT Minutes Submitted by: Catherine Way

