California School Boards Association

TIME SENSITIVE, REQUIRES BOARD ACTION
***DEADLINE* Tuesday, March 15, 2016**

January 29, 2016

MEMORANDUM

To: All Board Presidents and Superintendents
CSBA Member Boards of Education

From: Chris Ungar, President

Re: 2016 CSBA Delegate Assembly Election
U.S. Postmark Deadline – Tuesday, March 15, 2016

Enclosed is the ballot material for election of a representative to the CSBA Delegate Assembly from your region or subregion. The material consists of the ballot (on red paper), required candidate biographical sketch form, and if submitted, résumé for each candidate. In addition, we are including a "copy" of the ballot on white paper so that it may be included in board agenda packets, if you choose to do so. **Only the ballot on red paper is to be completed and returned.**

The board as a whole may vote for up to the number of vacancies in the region or subregion as indicated on the ballot. For example, if there are three vacancies in the region or subregion, the board may vote for up to three individuals. Regardless of the number of vacancies, each board may cast no more than one vote for any one candidate. (The ballot also contains a provision for write-in candidates; their name and district must be clearly printed in the space provided.)

The ballot must be signed by the Superintendent or Board Clerk and returned in the enclosed envelope; if the envelope is misplaced, you may use your district's stationery; please write **DELEGATE ELECTION** prominently on the envelope with the region or subregion number on the bottom left corner. **Ballots must be postmarked by the U.S. Post Office on or before Tuesday, March 15, 2016.** ***No exceptions are allowed.***

Election results will be available no later than Friday, April 1. If there is a tie vote, a run-off election will be held. All re-elected and newly elected Delegates will serve two-year terms beginning April 1, 2016 – March 31, 2018. The next meeting of the Delegate Assembly is on Saturday, May 14 – Sunday, May 15 at the Hyatt Regency in Sacramento.

The names of all Delegates will be available on CSBA's website no later than Friday, April 1. Please do not hesitate to contact Charlyn Tuter in the Leadership Services Department at (800) 266-3382 ext. 3281 should you have any questions. Thank you.

This complete, **ORIGINAL** Ballot must be **SIGNED** by the Superintendent or Board Clerk and returned in the enclosed envelope postmarked by the post office no later than **TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016.** Only ONE Ballot per Board. Be sure to mark your vote "✕" in the box.

A PARTIAL, UNSIGNED, PHOTOCOPIED, OR LATE BALLOT WILL NOT BE VALID.

OFFICIAL 2016 DELEGATE ASSEMBLY BALLOT
SUBREGION 8-A
(San Joaquin County)

Number of vacancies: 3 (Vote for no more than 3 candidates)

Delegates will serve two-year terms beginning April 1, 2016 – March 31, 2018

**denotes incumbent*

☐ Kathy Howe (Manteca USD)

☐ Jenny Van De Pol (Lincoln USD)

No additional nominations were received; however, your board may vote to write in the name of a board member to fill this seat:

Provision for Write-in Candidate Name _____ *School District* _____

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Signature of Superintendent or Board Clerk _____ *Title* _____

School District/COE Name _____ *Date of Board Action* _____

See reverse side for a current list of all Delegates in your Region.

Region 8 – Matthew Balzarini, Director (Lammersville Joint USD)
14 Delegates (12 elected/2 appointed)

Below is a list of all the current Delegates from this Region.

Subregion A
Gloria J. Allen (Stockton USD), appointed term expires 2016
Sam Fant (Manteca USD), term expires 2016
Kathleen Garcia (Stockton USD), appointed term expires 2017
Ron Heberle (Lodi USD), term expires 2017
George Neely (Lodi USD), term expires 2017
Van-Ha To-Cowell (Lincoln USD), term expires 2016
Ralph M. Womack (Lodi USD), term expires 2016

Subregion B
Zerrall McDaniel (Calaveras USD), term expires 2017

Subregion C
Eileen Hamilton (Turlock USD), term expires 2017
Faye Lane (Ceres USD), term expires 2016
Cynthia (Cyndi) Lindsey (Sylvan Union ESD), term expires 2017

Subregion D
Adam Cox (Merced City ESD), term expires 2017
Kelly Thomas (Winton SD), term expires 2016

County Delegate
Vacant, term expires 2016

Counties

San Joaquin (Subregion A)
Amador, Calaveras, Tuolumne (Subregion B)
Stanislaus (Subregion C)
Merced (Subregion D)

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2016 Delegate Assembly Candidate Biographical Sketch Form

DUE: Thursday, January 7, 2016

Mail to: CSBA | Attn: Leadership Services | 3251 Beacon Blvd., West Sacramento, CA 95691 | fax: (916) 371-3407 | or email: nominations@csba.org.

Please complete, sign and date this required one-page candidate biographical sketch form. An optional, one-page, single-sided, résumé may also be submitted; both will be copied exactly as received. Please do not state "see résumé" and please do not re-type this form. Any additional page(s) exceeding this one-page candidate form will not be accepted. It is the candidate's responsibility to confirm that all nomination materials have been received by the CSBA Leadership Services department. Late submissions will not be accepted. If you have any questions, please contact Leadership Services department at (800) 266-3382.

Name: Kathy Howe

CSBA Region-subregion #: 8

District or COE Name: Manteca Unified School District

Years on board: Appointed 10/6/15

Profession: Retired Educator

Contact Number: 209-825-4738

E-mail: khowe@musd.net

Are you a continuing Delegate? ☐ Yes ☑ No If yes, how long have you served as a Delegate?_____

Why are you interested in becoming a Delegate? Please describe the skills and experiences you would bring to the Delegate Assembly.

As an elementary teacher for over 30 years, I have experienced first hand the real world impacts of legislation on students. I am eager to know how students learn and want to see that every child is able to reach his potential. I would take my responsibilities seriously and am able to communicate effectively with others.

Please describe your activities and involvement on your local board, community, and/or CSBA.

I was recently appointed to the Manteca Unified School District Board of Trustees. As a person who is energetic and gets things done, I've jumped right into my role as an active board member. I'm visible in the community and in the schools and have been eager to communicate with all of the stakeholders and participate in school and community functions. I attended my first CSBA conference in December 2015 (San Diego), and was impressed. It would be an honor to have an active role in this organization, which so positively impacts children throughout the state.

What do you see as the biggest challenge facing governing boards and how can CSBA help address it?

California school districts must deal with constant change. Changes in school finance, new curriculum, advances in technology, and legislative mandates all create unique challenges for districts.

As an advocate for our school districts, CSBA can help by keeping school districts and the public informed about changes in educational policies and by providing training to the governing boards. CSBA must listen and act.

Your signature indicates your consent to have your name placed on the ballot and to serve as a Delegate, if elected.

Kathy M Howe

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Name: Jenny Van De Pol

CSBA Region-subregion #: 8A

District or COE Name: Lincoln Unified School District

Years on board: 1

Profession: Homemaker

Contact Number: 209-601-4186

E-mail: JLCVDP@yahoo.com

Are you a continuing Delegate? ☐Yes ☒No If yes, how long have you served as a Delegate?_____

Why are you interested in becoming a Delegate? Please describe the skills and experiences you would bring to the Delegate Assembly.

I am passionate about public education. Since before my oldest child started kindergarten (2004), I have been an avid reader, researcher, and analyzer of public schools. Since I do not work outside the home, I have the time to research issues, and observe our local schools in action.

My business background is in marketing and advertising. I also bring more than ten years of extensive volunteering in our school district, in a wide variety of roles.

Please describe your activities and involvement on your local board, community, and/or CSBA.

Last year I served as our board's representative to Lincoln Council PTA. This year I will represent our board on Stockton's Parks & Recreation Committee.

I am a regular weekly kindergarten volunteer (although my children are in junior high and high school) at my neighborhood school. I also volunteer in my church's youth group, and hold babies for a mothers' group.

In recent years I held many different PTSA offices, served on multiple school site councils, volunteered at anti-bullying seminars, and helped out at our local Little League.

What do you see as the biggest challenge facing governing boards and how can CSBA help address it?

I see our biggest challenge being good governance. People have all sorts of different motives driving them to serve on school boards; not all those motives are positive, and some of them are based on misinformation about the actual role of a school board member.

By educating existing board members about proper board roles and behaviors, CSBA is helping to address this challenge. I would like to see CSBA create informational materials for those considering running for their local school board, that districts could distribute to potential candidates.

Your signature indicates your consent to have your name placed on the ballot and to serve as a Delegate, if elected.

Signature: Jenny Van De Pol

Date: 1/3/16