



***REQUIRES BOARD ACTION***

**Due: Mon. Mar. 16—return ballot in enclosed envelope**

January 31, 2020

**MEMORANDUM**

To: All Board Presidents and Superintendents — CSBA Member Boards  
From: Xilonin Cruz-Gonzalez, CSBA President  
Re: 2020 Ballot for CSBA Delegate Assembly — **U.S. Postmark Deadline is Mon. March 16**

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Enclosed is the ballot material for election to CSBA's Delegate Assembly from your region or subregion. It consists of: 1) the ballot (on red paper), the reverse side of which contains the names of ALL current members of the Delegate Assembly from your region or subregion; and 2) the required candidate biographical sketch form and, if submitted, a resume. In addition, provided is a copy of the ballot on white paper to include with your board agenda. **Only the ballot on red paper is to be completed and returned to CSBA. It must be postmarked by the U.S. Post Office on or before Monday, March 16, 2020. No exceptions.**

Your Board 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, the Board may vote for up to three candidates. However, your 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 along with the region or subregion number on the bottom left corner of the envelope (this number appears at the top of the ballot).

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, 2020 – March 31, 2022. The next meeting of the Delegate Assembly takes place on Saturday, May 16 and Sunday, May 17 at the Hyatt Regency in Sacramento. The names of all Delegates will be available on CSBA's website no later than Wednesday, April 1. Please do not hesitate to contact CSBA's Executive Office at (800) 266-3382 should you have any questions.

Encs: Ballot on red paper and watermarked "copy" of ballot on white paper  
List of all current Delegates on reverse side of ballot  
Candidate(s)' required Biographical Sketch Forms and resumes, if provided  
CSBA-addressed envelope to send back ballots

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This completed **ORIGINAL** Ballot must be **SIGNED** by the Superintendent or Board Clerk and returned in the enclosed envelope postmarked by the U.S. post office no later than **MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2020**. Only **ONE** Ballot per Board. Be sure to mark your vote "X" in the box.

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

OFFICIAL 2020 DELEGATE ASSEMBLY BALLOT  
REGION 22  
(Los Angeles County)

(Vote for no more than 3 candidates)

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*Delegates will serve two-year terms beginning April 1, 2020 – March 31, 2022*

*\*denotes incumbent*

- ☐ Julie Bookman (Eastside Union SD)
- ☐ Steven DeMarzio (Westside Union ESD)\*
- ☐ Stacy Dobbs (Castaic Union SD)\*
- ☐ Keith Giles (Lancaster ESD)\*

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*Provision for Write-in Candidate Name*

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*School District*

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*Signature of Superintendent or Board Clerk*

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*Title*

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*School District*

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*Date of Board Action*

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

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**REGION 22 – 6 Delegates (6 elected)**

**Director: Nancy Smith (Palmdale SD)**

**Below are the current Delegates and their terms (as of January 31, 2020).**

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**Los Angeles County: North Los Angeles**

Steven DeMarzio (Westside Union ESD), term expires 2020

Stacy Dobbs (Castaic Union SD), term expires 2020

Keith Giles (Lancaster ESD), term expires 2020

Cherise Moore (William S. Hart Union HSD), term expires 2021

Steven M. Sturgeon (William S. Hart Union HSD), term expires 2021

Sharon Vega (Palmdale ESD), term expires 2021

<b><u>County</u></b>
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North Los Angeles

## Delegate Assembly Biographical Sketch Form for 2020 election

**DUE: Tuesday, January 7, 2020 – no late submissions accepted**

Please complete, sign, and date this required biographical sketch form. An optional, ONE-page, single-sided, résumé may also be submitted. Please do not state "see résumé" and do not re-type this form. It is the candidate's responsibility to confirm that all nomination materials have been received by the CSBA Executive Office, call 800.266.3382 or email at [nominations@csba.org](mailto:nominations@csba.org).

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Signature: Julie Bookman

Date: 12/12/19

Name: Julie Bookman

CSBA Region & subregion #: 22

District or COE: Eastside Union School District

Years on board: 1.5

Profession: Retired

Contact Number (please check ☐ Cell ☒ Home ☐ Bus.): \_\_\_\_\_

\*Primary E-mail: jbookman@eastsideusd.org

(\*Communications from CSBA will be sent to primary email)

Are you an incumbent Delegate? ☐ Yes ☒ No | If yes, year you became Delegate: \_\_\_\_\_

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

I am interested in becoming a delagate because I would like to be more aware of the what is going on in the legislature as far as education is concerned and how I can help influence funding and other issues that will benefit schools and districts in their mission of educating students.

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

I have been a Eastside Union School District board member for 1 1/2 years. I have attended all of our board meetings during that time, and met regularly with the superintendent. I visit schools within our district and have attended Back to School Night, assemblies and an evening awards ceremony. I also attend AVSBA meetings and executive board meetings, and have been elected the Corresponding Secretary for AVSBA. I have attended the 2019 Legislative Action Day and 2019 CSBA Annual Education Conference.

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

I see the biggest challenge facing governing boards is accomplishing their goals and fulfilling legal requirements on the limited funding available. Governing boards need to be fiscally responsible while meeting the needs of their students, maintaining facilities, and providing textbooks and materials. CSBA can help by educating boards on issues and changing legislation, and continuing to fight for full and fair funding for education.

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Signature: 

Date: 3 Jan 20

Name: <u>Steven P DeMarzio</u>	CSBA Region & subregion #: <u>22</u>
District or COE: <u>Westside Union School District</u>	Years on board: <u>14+</u>
Profession: <u>Aerospace Engineer</u>	Contact Number (please check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cell <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Bus.): _____
*Primary E-mail: _____ (*Communications from CSBA will be sent to primary email)	
Are you an incumbent Delegate? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   If yes, year you became Delegate: <u>2016</u>	

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

Remaining a Delegate is a great way to achieve that goal as well as advance the the mission of CSBA. CSBA is and should continue to be the major driving force of advancing the education of students in the state of California. As a former fighter aviator in the USAF with 12 years of dedicated service and 23 years as an engineer in the aerospace industry, I can bring a fresh perspective and decisiveness to the Delegate Assembly. I also understand the necessity of molding and nurturing our youth into top-notch skilled professionals ready for the 21st century workforce.

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

I have served three years as Board President, three years as Vice President, and three years as Clerk. I regularly attend school campuses and events and meet with our local state legislators. I am also quite active in our local school boards organization, Antelope Valley School Boards Association (AVSBA), which is comprised of 8 elementary districts, one high school district, two unified districts, and one community college. I have served four years as President as well as serving various other roles and responsibilities within that fine organization.

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

I see several big challenges:

- 1) Maintaining a steady, consistent, and TRULY FULLY FUNDED revenue stream for ALL school districts in California in perpetuity.
- 2) Keeping LCFF and LCAP local and in control locally. Sometimes, I feel the State legislature can't help but overreach into local affairs in its quest to "improve" the educational experience.
- 3) Hold Governor Newsom accountable to fund education at the level that is required.

**Submit biographical sketch form only once, do not send multiple times. E-mail: [nominations@csba.org](mailto:nominations@csba.org), or fax to (916) 371-3407, or US Mail to: CSBA Exec. Office | Attn: DA Elections | 3251 Beacon Blvd., West Sacto, CA 95691 by the deadline: Tues. Jan. 7, 2020.**

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Signature: Stacy Dobbs

Date: 01/04/2020

Name: Stacy Dobbs

CSBA Region & subregion #: 22

District or COE: Castaic Union School District

Years on board: 4

Profession: Social Worker

Contact Number (please check ☒ Cell ☐ Home ☐ Bus.): \_\_\_\_\_

\*Primary E-mail: sdobbs@castaicusd.com

(\*Communications from CSBA will be sent to primary email)

Are you an incumbent Delegate? ☒ Yes ☐ No | If yes, year you became Delegate: 2018

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

I am interested in continuing my service as a delegate to help ensure the interests of our local governing boards and communities are reflected in CSBA's vision and direction. I have developed positive working relationships with board members in our region through my delegate assembly service and participation in the SCV Trustees association. I have also developed relationships with local lawmakers and have participated in local and statewide advocacy efforts in support of public education. Additionally, I have strong organizational and communication skills, and am a team player.

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

I was elected to the board of trustees in 2015 and have served as clerk and president. I am a member of the local trustees association, where I previously served as secretary and later co-vice president. I am actively involved in the Castaic and Santa Clarita communities, and have extensive volunteer experience with local charitable and religious organizations. I have completed CSBA's Masters In Governance training, Board President's training, and Good Beginnings workshops. I am currently in graduate school studying social work and interning for LA County DMH as a mental health counselor.

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

I believe the biggest challenge facing governing boards is inadequate funding. Declining enrollment, charter school encroachment, and the rising costs of special education and STRS/PERS contribution rates create budget challenges for governing boards. CSBA can help address these issues by continuing to lobby for full and fair funding and drive ongoing conversations and advocacy efforts to find appropriate solutions. CSBA can also continue to strengthen its grassroots strategy by hiring PACERS in all regions to help mobilize local school boards in community outreach and advocacy.

## **Experience**

### ***Bookkeeper,***

July 2015-Present

Castaic, California

- Maintain records, client accounts, and complete reconciliations using QuickBooks
- Assist accountant in preparation of annual tax returns for businesses and individuals

### ***MSW Intern Therapist***

Department of Mental Health, San Fernando Child and Family Center August 2019-Present

Single Mothers Outreach, Santa Clarita Valley

August 2018-May 2019

- Conduct assessment of clients and their families to evaluate strengths and needs
- Diagnose and engage clients in creating treatment plans for therapeutic services
- Provide targeted individual and group therapy for adults and children in crisis

## **Leadership**

***Elected Member Board of Trustees,*** Castaic Union School District November 2015-Present

Castaic, California

- Provide oversight for K-8 public school district as a member of the governance team
- Collaborate to set direction, create board policy, and approve curriculum
- Ensure accountability by approving and monitoring \$20 million district budget
- Seek community input in setting goals through LCAP and strategic planning process
- Served as board president December 2018-December 2019
- Member of the Santa Clarita Valley Trustees Association since December 2015

### ***California School Boards Association***

December 2015-Present

Sacramento, California

- Elected to CSBA Delegate Assembly March 2018, representing Region 22 (SCV & AV)
- Participate in board training, workshops and three-day Annual Education Conference
- Engage in advocacy efforts for legislation to support students and public education

### ***KHTS Annual Road Trip to Sacramento***

March 2017, 2018 & 2019

Santa Clarita Valley/Sacramento, California

- Participated in annual trip to Sacramento to engage in advocacy efforts at state level
- Connected and collaborated with community leaders and business representatives

## **Education**

***Master's Degree, Social Work,*** California State University Northridge

August 2018-Present

Northridge, California

Graduation date: May 2020

***Bachelor's Degree, Social Work,*** Brigham Young University

August 1993-April 1996

Provo, Utah

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Signature: Keith Giles

Date: 12/16/19

Name: Keith Giles

CSBA Region & subregion #: 22

District or COE: Lancaster School District

Years on board: 20

Profession: Manager

Contact Number (please v ☒ Cell ☐ Home ☐ Bus.): \_\_\_\_\_

\*Primary E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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Are you an incumbent Delegate? ☒ Yes ☐ No | If yes, year you became Delegate: 2019

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

I have served as prior Delegate and Director for many years.

I am very involved in serving my local community.

I am involved in many different ventures and bring many different point of view.

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

Served on local board for 20 years.

Served on local School Board Association for 20 years.

Served as Reserve Deputy Sheriff for over 15 years.

Served as Soccer and T-Ball Coach.

Served in local church in various leadership roles for over 35 years.

Prior Delegate and Director

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

Funding and declining enrollment are persistent challenges. CSBA can continue to lobby lawmakers and train board members.