



California School Boards Association

REQUIRES BOARD ACTION

Due: Fri. Mar. 15 return ballot in enclosed envelope

January 31, 2019

MEMORANDUM

To: All Board Presidents and Superintendents — CSBA Member Boards – **SUBREGION 22**
From: Emma Turner, CSBA President
Re: 2019 Ballot for CSBA Delegate Assembly — **U.S. Postmark Deadline is Fri. March 15**

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, which will be on the reverse side of the biographical sketch form. 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. It must be postmarked by the U.S. Post Office on or before Friday, March 15, 2019. 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, 2019 – March 31, 2021. The next meeting of the Delegate Assembly takes place on Saturday, May 18 and Sunday, May 19 at the Hyatt Regency in Sacramento. The names of all Delegates will be available on CSBA's website no later than Monday, 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 (red paper and white paper)
Candidate(s)' required Biographical Sketch Forms and resumes, if provided
CSBA-addressed envelope to send back ballots

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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 **FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2019**. 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 2019 DELEGATE ASSEMBLY BALLOT
REGION 22
(Los Angeles County)

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

Delegates will serve two-year terms beginning April 1, 2019 - March 31, 2021

**denotes incumbent*

- Julie Bookman (Eastside Un. SD)
- Cherise G. Moore (William S. Hart Un. HSD)
- Victoria M. Ruffin (Antelope Valley Joint Un. HSD)
- Steven M. Sturgeon (William S. Hart Un. HSD)*
- Sharon Vega (Palmdale ESD)

Provision for Write-in Candidate Name

School District

Signature of Superintendent or Board Clerk

Title

School District Name

Date of Board Action

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

REGION 22 – 6 Delegates (6 elected)

Director: Nancy Smith (Palmdale SD)

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

Los Angeles County: North Los Angeles

John Curiel (Westside Union ESD), term expires 2019

Steven DeMarzio (Westside Union ESD), term expires 2020

Stacy Dobbs (Castaic Union SD), term expires 2020

Keith Giles (Lancaster ESD), term expires 2020

Steven M. Sturgeon (William S. Hart Union HSD), term expires 2019

Vacant, term expires 2019

<u>County</u>

North Los Angeles

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2019 Delegate Assembly Candidate Biographical Sketch Form

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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 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.

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

Signature: Julie Bookman Date: 11/27/2018

Name: Julie Bookman CSBA Region & subregion #: 22 Los Angeles
 District or COE: Eastside Union School District Years on board: less than 1
 Profession: Educator Contact Number (please V Cell Home Bus.): _____
 *Primary E-mail: _____
 (*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. (Character count limit: 700)

I am interested in becoming a delagate to learn more about the task of governance and to add my years of experience as an educator in the classroom to the Delagate Assembly. I am new to the School Board, but have many 28 years of experience in education and can see how the task of educating students and keeping them safe on campus has changed over the years. I also have experience as a public affairs officer and in conducting speaking engagements and professional developmentfor various groups. I have begun to attend out local Antelope Valley School Board Association meetings and I would be able to share information with other Board members there.

Please describe your activities and involvement on your local board, community, and/or CSBA. (Character count limit: 700)

I have been an appointed Board member for 8 months, and will be sworn in as an elected Board member at our first December meeting. I attend the board meetings, visit schools in the district, and attend the local Antelope Valley School Board Association meetings.

What do you see as the biggest challenge facing governing boards and how can CSBA help address it? (Character count limit: 700)

I see the biggest challenge facing governing boards as maintaining transparency and open communication with faculty, staff, students, parents, and the community while still protecting the rights and privacy of individuals and maintaining the confidentiality that governance requires. I think the best way to address it is with legal and communication training for board members on how to deal with confidential matters and still have open communication with all stakeholders in order to build trust within the community.



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Signature: *Cherise Moore* Date: 12/30/18

Name: Cherise G. Moore CSBA Region & subregion #: 22
District or COE: William S Hart Union HSD Years on board: 2
Profession: Senior Researcher Contact Number (please v Cell Home Bus.): _____
*Primary E-mail: _____
(*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. (Character count limit: 700)

I want to get more involved with CSBA and believe that serving as a Delegate will provide that opportunity. In my time on the Hart District Board, I have seen that one of the best ways we can advocate not only for the children in my district, but for all students in the state is through collaboration and coalition building. I believe CSBA provides the best platform to do that. In terms of my skills and experiences, I have served as an educator for nearly 30 years, including serving as classified staff, a teacher and an administrator. I currently work as an education researcher and technical assistance provider focusing on career training, adult education, and post-secondary education.

Please describe your activities and involvement on your local board, community, and/or CSBA. (Character count limit: 700)

I am currently the assistant clerk of the board. I also serve on the board policy committee, finance committee and the LACOE County Committee on School District Organization. I am also the immediate past president of the WISH Education Foundation, President of the San Fernando Valley Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Community Service Chair for the Santa Clarita/Antelope Valley Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc., Auditor of the Golden Oak Community School PTA, a member of the Zonta Club of Santa Clarita and Chair of the Willamette University, Parent Leadership Council.

What do you see as the biggest challenge facing governing boards and how can CSBA help address it? (Character count limit: 700)

One of the biggest challenges that governing boards face is ensuring the funding is at appropriate levels to ensure that all students have access and equity in the education provided. Your zip code should not determine your education. Another critical challenge facing governing boards is understanding our role in supporting student overall well-being. This includes a focus on emotional well-being and mental health. Social emotional learning is a part of learning. CSBA can help with both of these issues by educating the public and advocating with the state legislature to support and fund efforts to address these challenges.

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Signature: *Victoria M. Ruffin*

Date: 1/2/2019

Name: DR. VICTORIA M. RUFFIN

CSBA Region & subregion #: 22

District or COE: Antelope Valley Joint Union High School District

Years on board: 1 month

Profession: EDUCATOR

Contact Number (please v Cell Home Bus.): _____

*Primary E-mail: _____

(*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 Delegate to have a seat at the table and extend the voice of my constituents in the AV area. I offer my ethos and 20+ years K-16 experience with expertise in: student safety, K-12 policy, student access and achievement, equity and diversity, impact of high school guidance on high school completion/college acceptance and completion, and student learning and development. My professional experience offers me the ability to identify and understand factors that enable or inhibit the success of historically underrepresented, misrepresented, and otherwise vulnerable populations in education. I am committed to serving our state, regional and constituency leadership and will uphold the corporate responsibilities on behalf of CCBE.

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

I am a newly elected Board member, appointed as the Vice-President of the board, and the LA County Committee on School District Organization. Within my community and statewide, I provide individuals who are dealing with sensitive issues around coping—those individuals who want to survive their daily experiences. Specifically, we specialize in creating platform(s) (e.g., conferences, seminars, symposiums, workshops/ workshop series, mentorship, and 1-on-1 coaching experiences) to have courageous conversations about their unique circumstances or conditions that stifle their peace. I primarily work with organizations, colleges, universities, school districts, and community-based organizations. Through shared stories and transparent truth, it is my goal to mobilizing people to tackle entrenched personal issues, that impact their well-being, family and community to not only grow them in their humanism, but to not allow their conditions to be their conclusion.

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

I believe the biggest challenge facing the governing Boards is getting the right people on the bus—interested constituents that ONLY see the need to student achievement as their primary goal.

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Signature: STEVEN M. STURGEON Date: 1-7-19

Name: Steven M. Sturgeon CSBA Region & subregion #: 22
 District or COE: William S. Hart Union High School District Years on board: 19
 Profession: Records Management Contact Number (please Cell Home Bus.): _____
 *Primary E-mail: _____
 (*Communications from CSBA will be sent to primary email)
 Are you an incumbent Delegate? Yes No | If yes, year you became Delegate: 2008

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

I have served the Delegate Assembly and our region for 24 years, including 5 years service as a Trustee for the Sulphur Springs School District. My background in business, real estate, and now the education industry in the State of California provides me with a strong foundation from which I can contribute to the success of our and other districts in our region. Education, as it has been and will move toward in the future, is critical to the success of our children in this state and our nation. We have become an expanding global community with nearly unlimited opportunities to learn and develop ways to make our local areas and the world around us a better, safer, more productive environment. My technology background contributes to the incredibly fast growing technology developments to which our children must adapt, interpret, and engage. This will continue to expand in our classrooms and career technologies for years to come.

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

Please refer to the attached resume which identifies many organizations and activities I have belonged to over 30 years.

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

Funding is and likely will be an issue in California for years to come. My business background is a contributing resource as State funding opportunities present themselves to school districts across the State. Increasing mandates from State legislation place greater and greater demands on our teachers and staff that take away from basic learning skills. California has had and will continue to have challenging times ahead finding adequate numbers of teachers in all programs. CSBA, the Delegate Assembly, and the collaboration of school districts in our region can work together to be creative in plans for hiring for the future.

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STEVEN M. STURGEON

Activities/Involvement in local school districts:

Governing Board	Wm. S. Hart Union High School District	1999 to present
President, Governing Board	Wm. S. Hart Union High School District	2003/2004; 2008/2009; 2013/2014; 2017/18
Director	Santa Clarita Valley Sheriff's Foundation	2011-2016
President, JPA	Saugus/Hart JPA for CFD	2005-2009
Vice President, JPA	Saugus/Hart JPA for CFD	2004-2005
Director	Los Angeles County Trustees Association	2003-2009
Secretary/Treasurer	Santa Clarita Valley Trustees Association	2001-present
Board Representative	LA County Committee on Dist. Reorganization	1999-2001
Site Council	La Mesa Junior High School	1996-1999
Governing Board	Sulphur Springs School District	1994-1999
President, Governing Board	Sulphur Springs School District	1996-1997
Board Member	SCV Child & Family Center Foundation Board	2005-2018
Chairman	SCV Child & Family Center Foundation Board	2006-2009
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Board Representative	Santa Clarita Valley SELPA	1994-1995
Volunteer	Measure V Bond Committee	2001
Site Council	Sulphur Springs Elementary School	1991-1993
Member	Rotary International	1976-1986; 2010-present
Member	Goals 2000 Community Panel	1996
Member	Michael Hoefflin Foundation for Childrens Cancer	1995-2004

CSBA Activities:

Delegate	Delegate Assembly	2002-present
	School Construction Task Force	2006
	High School Reform Task Force	2005



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Signature: Sharon Vega

Date: 1-2-19

Name: <u>Sharon Vega</u>	CSBA Region & subregion #: <u>22</u>
District or COE: <u>Palmdale Elementary School District</u>	Years on board: <u>3</u>
Profession: <u>Retired Teacher</u>	Contact Number (please v <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 type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If yes, year you became Delegate: _____	

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Becoming a delegate will give me the opportunity to bring information from region 22 to the assembly and report back on what has happened. I have been a very active member of California Teachers Association. As a CTA member I served as a state for at least twenty years. My experiences in CTA will give me a the very basics on how a Delegate Assembly works. I understand how important it is to know what is going on before the assembly starts.

Please describe your activities and involvement on your local board, community, and/or CSBA. (Character count limit: 700)

I am currently serving as Palmdale board president. I am treasurer for the Palmdale Education Foundation and a member of the Palmdale School District Events Committee. I attend the Hispanic Chamber, African American Chamber and Palmdale Chamber meeting on a regular basic to keep up with community events and information. I am an active member of Palmdale Kiwanis West, Delta Kappa Gamma and CT/NEA retired. Last but not least I am the treasurer for Antelope Valley School Boards.

What do you see as the biggest challenge facing governing boards and how can CSBA help address it? (Character count limit: 700)

I feel Charter Schools and full and fair funding are the two biggest items facing governing boards. CSBA continued information /education so board members have the knowledge needed to address the issues. Continued support and information on legislation that supports current issues is extremely important.

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