



TIME SENSITIVE - REQUIRES BOARD ACTION
DEADLINE: FRIDAY, APRIL 30, 2021

April 7, 2021

MEMORANDUM

To: All Board Presidents and Superintendents
CSBA Member Boards of Education in Region 20

From: Suzanne Kitchens, CSBA President

Re: 2021 CSBA Delegate Assembly Run-off Elections
U.S. Postmark Deadline – Friday, April 30, 2021

The members of the Delegate Assembly Election Committee met on March 26, 2021 to count and certify the ballots for membership on the CSBA Delegate Assembly. Tie votes resulted in a run-off election between three candidates for two seats on the Delegate Assembly in your Region.

Enclosed in this mailing you will find the following:

- An official turquoise ballot to be signed by the Superintendent or Board Clerk
- A list of the current Delegates in your region (reverse side of ballot)
- A watermarked “copy” of the ballot and list of current Delegates for inclusion in board packets
- A copy of each candidate’s biographical sketch and optional résumé (if provided)

The board, as a whole, votes using the turquoise ballot. The turquoise ballot must be completely filled out, signed by the Superintendent or the Board Clerk, and returned to CSBA. If the provided envelope is misplaced, you may use your district’s stationery. Please write **DELEGATE ELECTION – RUN-OFF BALLOT** and **Region 20** on the envelope. **Run-off ballots must be postmarked by the U.S. Post Office on or before Friday, April 30, 2021.**

The run-off ballots will be counted by May 10 and candidates will be notified of the results immediately. Should a second tie occur, the Regional Director will cast the tie-breaking vote. All newly elected Delegates will serve terms that will expire on March 31, 2023.

Please do not hesitate to contact Jamille Peters at jpeters@csba.org or Trenice Campbell at tcampbell@csba.org in the Executive Office if you have any questions. Thank you.

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This completed **ORIGINAL RUN-OFF BALLOT** must be **SIGNED** by the Superintendent or Board Clerk and may be returned by email on or before **FRIDAY, APRIL 30, 2021** Only ONE Ballot per Board. Be sure to mark your vote “**X**” in the box.

A PARTIAL, UNSIGNED, PHOTOCOPIED, OR A LATE BALLOT THAT IS NOT POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30 WILL NOT BE VALID.

OFFICIAL 2021 DELEGATE ASSEMBLY RUN-OFF BALLOT
REGION 20
(Santa Clara County)

(Vote for no more than 2 candidates)

Delegates will serve two-year terms that will end March 31, 2023

**denotes incumbent*

Van Le (East Side Union HSD)

Andres Quintero (Alum Rock Union SD)*

Bridget Watson (Sunnyvale SD)

Signature of Superintendent or Board Clerk

Title

School District

Date of Board Action

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

Delegate Assembly Biographical Sketch Form for 2021 Election



Deadline: Thursday, January 7, 2021 | No late submissions accepted

This form is required. An optional, one-page, single-sided, résumé may also be submitted. Do not state "see résumé." Do not re-type this form. It is the candidate's responsibility to confirm that CSBA has received nomination materials prior to the deadline. Please submit completed form via e-mail to nominations@csba.org no later than 11:59 p.m. on January 7, 2021. Forms may also be submitted via mail to CSBA's Executive Office at 3251 Beacon Blvd., West Sacramento, CA 95691, with a postmark of no later than January 7, 2021.

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

Signature: _____

Date: 12/29/2020

Name: Van Le

CSBA Region & subregion #: 20

District or COE: East Side Union High School

Years on board: 11

Profession: Business owner

Contact Number (Cell Home Bus.): 408-489-5249

Primary E-mail: lev@esuhsd.org

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.

- Need to bring the voice of Asian students and representative to the Delegate Assembly.
- Advocate for more budget for schools because schools can not afford any more cutting.
- Networking and influencing legislators on school issues for safety, closing achievement gap, college readiness etc.
- Need to work closely with legislators to help them understand the most important issues.
- Bridge the gap and maintain communication between local members and the regional Director for enhancing and supporting CSBA role.

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

I have been involved in many local events from business to non-profit organizations & education since 1984 and have built a strong relationship with city, county, state and federal legislators to advocate for students and community issues.

I have participated in many trips to Sacramento which were organized by Board of Supervisors (Santa Clara) Dave Cortese to support more school funding, to visit State Assembly legislators and to request of them - "no more cuts to education".

Also involved in APALI for ethnic studies subject.

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

I believe two major challenges facing governing board members are safety and diversity that we serve. I believe with my years of experience in education and community have given me the ability to bring people together to resolve difficult issues.

I have been involved with different stakeholders, community groups and media for over 30 years. I have used social media and engaged community and students through events & contests. As board members, we should strive to bring new ideas, be more creative and think out of the box on the budget challenges and willing to learn from other district and find the best solutions to solve problems.

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Signature: Andres Quintero

Date: 1/7/21

Name: Andres Quintero

CSBA Region & subregion #: 20

District or COE: Alum Rock Union School District

Years on board: 9

Profession: College Professor

Contact Number (Cell Home Bus.): 408-550-9784

Primary E-mail: andres@andresquintero.com

Are you an incumbent Delegate? Yes No

If yes, year you became Delegate: 2017

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 on the CSBA Delegate Assembly because I bring my East San Jose community's perspective to the fore. While we represent the region as a whole, there are unique aspects of our communities that need to be represented on CSBA's policy-making bodies. I have been privileged to have been mentored by great leaders like Frank Biehl and George Sanchez, and others. They have demonstrated how to work collaboratively while ensuring that our respective communities receive the attention they deserve. I have been honored to stand before the delegate assembly and other subgroups and present my community perspective on the issues. I look forward to continuing my work on CSBA's Delegate Assembly, as always, in a collaborative manner that leads to results.

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

I have had the privilege of being entrusted by my colleagues to serve in various officer roles, including clerk, vice president, and president. I have also led various district measures to expand our offering to the students we serve in East San Jose. In 2017, I introduced the measure that prompted Alum Rock to create our first Vietnamese Dual Language Immersion School. I also led the effort to expand Alum Rock's Spanish Dual Language Immersion program by opening a second Spanish Dual Language Immersion School. Early in my tenure on the board, I established a partnership with the City of San Jose to renovate regional recreational facilities targeted by charter schools for further expansion. My service on CSBA's delegate assembly has allowed me to develop a closer relationship and work collaboratively with school board members. Whether it's serving as a validator for the Golden Bell Awards or assisting on other projects, I have learned to value what I know from my counterparts from different parts of the county.

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

At present, the biggest challenge for all of us is to stem the learning loss that results from the shift to virtual learning. Our teachers have been great and work diligently to provide a quality and dignified education to all of our students, whether in person or virtually; however, we cannot deny that our students have been impacted by the shift to a completely different delivery for their education. Furthermore, in our district, we have essential workers that are the most severely affected by the ravages of COVID-19; they are construction workers, grocery store employees, all of who do not have the option to telecommute. As a district, we have had to develop methods to support those essential workers that do not have other means to care for their children. CSBA can continue to advocate for more resources to all districts, especially those that are disproportionately impacted by COVID 19.

Andrés Quintero

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COMPETENCIES

Teaching Political Science at the Community College Level
Public Policy Development and Implementation • Staffing C-Level Individuals • Speech Writing
Budgeting and Budget Management • Public Speaking • Government Operation • Campaigns

EXPERIENCE

Evergreen Valley College 2015 – Present
Currently teach or have taught American Government, International Relations, and Constitutional Law.

Chief of Staff 2019-2020
San Jose City Council, Office of Councilmember Maya Esparza San Jose, CA
Served as the local district representative of the State Assembly Member and oversaw the implementation of critical City programs affecting the residents of District 7.

District Director 2014 – 2015
California State Assembly, 27th District San Jose, CA
Served as the local district representative of the State Assembly Member and oversaw the implementation of critical state programs affecting San Jose residents and businesses. Also worked closely with other local, state, and federal offices and agencies on public policy issues of shared focus.

Board Legislative Aide 2009 – 20014
Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors San Jose, CA
Supported two elected County Supervisors in the implementation of policy and programs related to health & hospital, public health, gang prevention, education, and government operations issues.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

- United States House of Representatives, Office of Congresswoman Lofgren, Capitol Office
 - Santa Clara County Probation Department
 - United States District Court, Northern District of California
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EDUCATION

Master of Public Administration, San Jose State University
Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Minor in Public Administration, San Jose State University

APPOINTED AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- **Governing Board Member, Alum Rock Union School District (2012-Present)**
- **California School Boards Association, Delegate Assembly (2017-Present)**
- **Appointed Official and Commissioner, City of San Jose Airport Commission (2009-2015)**
- **Latino Leadership Alliance Board of Directors (2006 –Present)**
- **Executive Director, Bay Area Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials**
- **Member, Consultative Council of the Institute for Mexicans Abroad, an advisory body to the President of Mexico (2012-2014)**
- **Graduate, Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute**

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Signature: Bridget Watson

Date: January 3, 2021

Name: Bridget Watson

CSBA Region & subregion #: 20

District or COE: Sunnyvale School District

Years on board: 2

Profession: Educator Contact Number (Cell Home Bus.): 408-540-8598

Primary E-mail: bridget.watson@sesd.org

Are you an incumbent Delegate? Yes No If yes, year you became Delegate: n/a

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

I'm deeply committed to serving our community, and would like to contribute on behalf of our county at the state level. I value CSBA for its resources, advocacy, events, and training and I'm interested in working on projects that will support members to better benefit children and families. I'm an active board member and a dedicated volunteer. I'm a credentialed teacher, a mother of two, and the 1st in my family to earn a college degree - all experiences that form my perspective on the value of each student's voice, choice, and support system. I'm a good communicator with a BA and MA in English, and I have corporate experience in project management. I'm ready to work with this amazing team!

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

I'm very engaged in Sunnyvale School District and CSBA, serving as Clerk last year and VP this year on my board. I served on CSBA's Equity Network (Cohort 2), learning ways to create and apply systems change towards equity in our districts and statewide. I'm VP of the new SCCSBA Legislative Action Committee to help our districts more effectively advocate at local, state, and federal levels for our students' unique needs. I'm a reader for the Hoffmann Awards this year, and I'm on the Board of Directors of the Sunnyvale Education Foundation. I visit every school in our district throughout the year and volunteer in classrooms and at school sites for hundreds of hours each year.

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

Full funding of programs to support inclusion and equity will be the biggest challenge this year, exacerbated by the additional pressures and needs driven by the pandemic and economic downturn. Our most vulnerable children have been hit the hardest, but all children have been exposed to extraordinary pressures, stress, and change. We will have to advocate for basic services for students in our districts, from food to broadband, as well as funding for learning loss and SEL support. CSBA can help with advocacy at the state level, and can provide policy guidelines, strategy, communications, roundtables, seminars, training, and toolkits to boards and districts who are all facing the same storm.

Bridget Watson

Outline of Experience, Education, and Service to the Community

Parent, Teacher, Volunteer

Service to the Community

2005 to present

Sunnyvale School District, Trustee, 2018 - present

Performed role as Clerk, currently Vice-President

California School Boards Association

CSBA Equity Network Cohort 2, 2019-2020

Santa Clara County School Boards Association, 2018 to present

Legislative Action Committee - Vice President 2020

Board of Directors, Sunnyvale Education Foundation, 2020 - present

Challenge Team Sunnyvale, 2018 - present

Sunnyvale Middle School, Volunteer: AVID-Excel, ELD 1 (Newcomers), EL Support, Social Emotional Learning (2014 to present)

Columbia Middle School, Volunteer: English Language Arts, ELD 1 (Newcomers) (2018 to present)

Cherry Chase Elementary School, Volunteer: 3rd Grade Project Based Learning, Social Emotional Learning (2014 to present)

Sunnyvale Middle School PTSA (2012 - present)

Roles as Membership Chair, Staff Appreciation Chair

Cherry Chase Elementary School PTA (2005 to 2015)

Various roles (FAME docent, WAT Team, Room Parent, etc.) as well as Garden Chair, creating school gardens/ living classrooms as well as outdoor hands-on learning programs for all students

Honors and Accomplishments

Community Hero Award, CONTACT (2020)

Honorary Service Award, CFSCPTA (2018)

Teacher of the Year, Fairwood Explorer, Sunnyvale School District (2014)

Cherry Chase Volunteer of the Year, Sunnyvale School District (2008 and 2010)

Career History and Education

Elementary Teacher (2nd and 3rd grades)

Project Coordination and Management experience at Genentech and Intel

Multiple Subject Teaching Credential, National University

TEFL/TESL Certificate, College of Notre Dame de Namur

B.A., M.A.; English Literature SFSU