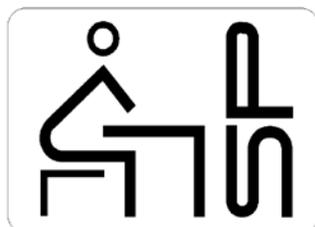


SOUTH PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Office of the Superintendent
Dr. Geoff Yantz, Superintendent of Schools

M E M O R A N D U M



TO: Members of the Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Geoff Yantz, Superintendent

DATE: December 13, 2016

SUBJECT: Nomination of Board Member Dr. Suzie Abajian to Serve as a Delegate in the California School Board Association (CSBA) Delegate Assembly

Background

The California School Board Association (CSBA) has put out a call for nominations for elected members of the Delegate Assembly. CSBA's Delegate Assembly is a vital link in the association's governance structure. The Delegate Assembly sets the general policy direction for the association. Working with local districts, county offices, the Board of Directors and Executive Committee, Delegates ensure that the association reflects the interests of school districts and county offices of education throughout the state.

The Delegate Assembly is made up of approximately 270+ Delegates who are elected by local Board members in 21 geographic regions throughout the state. Some geographic regions have been further divided into sub-regions. Delegates serve two-year terms beginning April 1. They meet twice a year to conduct business, and may also meet with the other Delegates and the Director within their region. Furthermore, they participate in CSBA events and they maintain contact with local boards in their region.

Nomination and candidate biographical sketch forms for CSBA's Delegate Assembly are now being accepted until Saturday, January 7, 2017. Any CSBA member board is eligible to nominate board members within their geographical region or sub-region. Each board may nominate as many individuals as it chooses by using the nomination form or submitting a letter of nomination. South Pasadena Unified School District is part of CSBA sub-region 23-A.

South Pasadena High School South Pasadena Middle School Arroyo Vista Elementary School
Marengo Elementary School Monterey Hills Elementary School

Discussion

Nominations for Delegate Assembly seats are made each year between the last Friday in October and January 7. A board member must be formally nominated by a board in the region or sub-region and may be nominated by his or her own district or county office. The nomination is an action that is taken in a public board meeting and requires a majority vote. Once the Board of Education makes the nomination and submits the nomination form, Dr. Abajian will be required to complete a candidate biographical sketch, which will also be submitted to CSBA. Local boards will vote for Delegates and return ballots between February 1 and March 15, 2017.

Recommendation

Dr. Geoff Yantz, Superintendent, recommends that the Board of Education approve the nomination of Dr. Suzie Abajian for CSBA's Delegate Assembly, representing sub-region 23-A.