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IMMEDIATE ATTENTION REQUIRED

March 16, 2017

Via U.S. Mail and e-mail

Stanislaus County School Districts and
Office of Education

See list below for recipient information

Re: Keyes Union School District, Turlock Unified School District and the Riverbank Unified School District requests to move to even numbered year elections

Dear Stanislaus County School Districts and Office of Education:

Our office is notifying you on behalf of the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors, as required by Section 10404.5 of the Elections Code, that the Keyes Union School District, Turlock Unified School District and the Riverbank Unified School District have submitted resolutions to the Board of Supervisors to change their regularly scheduled elections for governing board members from odd-numbered years to even-numbered years.

Copies of the respective resolutions requesting the changes are attached to this letter for your information. The Stanislaus County Clerk Recorder and Registrar of Voters will be advising the Board of Supervisors that it will be able to facilitate the requested changes. The Board of Supervisors is offering you the option to provide input regarding the effect of the move, if any.

You are not required to submit any input. If you wish to provide input to the Board of Supervisors on the requested changes, you may do so by attending the appropriate upcoming Board of Supervisors meeting on April 4, 2017 in the Basement Chambers in the City/County Administration Building located at 1010 10th Street, Modesto, CA.

Sincerely ,

Elizabeth King, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Enclosures: Keyes Union School District Resolution No. 16-17-11
Turlock Unified School District Resolution No. 19/2016-17
Riverbank Unified School District Resolution No. 16-17-07

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RESOLUTION NO. 16-17-11

**RESOLUTION OF THE KEYES UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD
APPROVING THE RESCHEDULING OF BOARD MEMBER ELECTIONS FROM
ODD TO EVEN YEAR ELECTIONS COMMENCING WITH THE 2018 GOVERNING
BOARD ELECTION**

WHEREAS, the Governing Board ("Board") of the Keyes Union School District ("District") consists of five members, Jeff Reed, Jimmy Emmons, Sr., Harinder Grewal, Bob Edwards, and Wesley Greene; and

WHEREAS, Education Code section 35105 sets forth the general rule that school district governing board members serve staggered terms and are elected in odd numbered years; and

WHEREAS, currently the election of District Board members occurs every two years, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of odd-numbered years (e.g., November 2017), pursuant to Elections Code section 1302, subdivision (a); and

WHEREAS, the next Board elections for the seats currently held by Jeff Reed and Jimmy Emmons, Sr. are currently scheduled for November 2017, and the next Board elections for the seats currently held by Harinder Grewal, Bob Edwards, and Wesley Greene are currently scheduled for November 2019; and

WHEREAS, statewide general elections are held in California in November of even-numbered years, pursuant to Elections Code section 1001; and

WHEREAS, generally, voter participation is greater for statewide general elections than for special local elections, including school board member elections; and

WHEREAS, effective January 1, 2018, Senate Bill 415 adds Section 14050 *et seq.* to the Elections Code, requiring school districts to hold their governing board elections on the same date as statewide elections, if holding it on another date has previously resulted in a significant decrease in voter turnout (significant decrease in voter turnout is described as voter turnout at least 25% less than the average voter turnout for the previous four statewide general elections); and

WHEREAS, based on history of voter participation within the boundaries of the District, the District is required to adopt a plan to transition to even-numbered year general elections no later than January 1, 2018, pursuant to Elections Code section 14052, subdivision (b); and

WHEREAS, consolidating the District Board member elections with statewide general elections in even-numbered years will reduce the District's election costs; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to consolidate Board member elections with statewide general elections on even-numbered years for the purpose of reducing election costs and allowing for Board member elections to occur when the largest number of voters generally participate in the election; and

WHEREAS, the District Board may adopt a resolution to establish Board member elections to occur on the same day as the statewide general election pursuant to Elections Code section 1302, subdivision (b), subject to approval by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors ("County Board of Supervisors"); and

WHEREAS, the District Board's resolution to establish Board member elections on the same day as the statewide general election, must be submitted to the County Board of Supervisors no later than 240 days prior to the next regularly scheduled election; and

WHEREAS, the next regularly scheduled election for District Board members is November 7, 2017, and 240 days prior to November 7, 2017, is March 12, 2017; and

WHEREAS, within 60 days from the date that the District submits such a resolution to the County Board of Supervisors, the County Board of Supervisors must approve the resolution unless it finds that the ballot style, voting equipment, or computer capacity is such that additional elections or materials cannot be handled (Elec. Code § 10404.5, subd. (d)(1)); and

WHEREAS, public notices of the proceeding in which the resolution is to be considered for adoption by the County Board of Supervisors must be made by County Board of Supervisors pursuant to Section 25151 of the Government Code; and

WHEREAS, if the County Board of Supervisors approves the District Board's resolution to establish Board member elections on the same day as the statewide general election, the terms of all Board members are extended by one year pursuant to Elections Code section 10404.5, subdivision (g); and

WHEREAS, the result of such actions would be staggered Board elections in even-numbered years, commencing with the next election for Board members Jeff Reed and Jimmy Emmons, Sr. in November 2018, and the next election for Board members Harinder Grewal, Bob Edwards, and Wesley Greene in November 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Board of the Keyes Union School District hereby finds and resolves that:

1. Board member elections shall be consolidated with the statewide direct primary election or the statewide general election held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each even-numbered year.
2. The Superintendent is directed to submit this Resolution to the County Board of Supervisors not later than 240 days prior to the date of the currently scheduled November 2017 Board election.

3. If this Resolution is approved by the County Board of Supervisors, the terms of office of all members of the Board of the District shall be extended one (1) year, as described in Exhibit A, attached herein, and the District Board member elections will occur in even-numbered years.
4. Upon approval of this Resolution by the Governing Board, the District Superintendent shall cause a certified copy of this Resolution to be filed with the County Board of Supervisors and the Stanislaus County Superintendent of Schools.
5. The District Superintendent and his designees are hereby authorized and directed to take any other steps necessary to effectuate the purpose and intent of this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Keyes Union School District, Stanislaus County, California, on this 8th day of March, 2017 at a duly noticed meeting, by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Abstentions: 0 Absent: 1

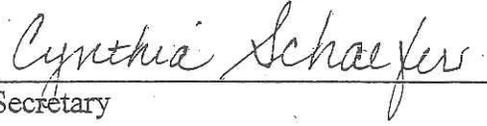
I, Jeff Reed, President of the Governing Board of the Keyes Union School District, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by said Governing Board on the 8th day of March, 2017.

Date: 3-8-17



Jeff Reed
President of the Governing Board of
the Keyes Union School District

Certified a True Copy



Secretary

Exhibit A

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Current Election Year</u>	<u>New Election Year</u>
Jeff Reed	2017	2018
Jimmy Emmons, Sr.	2017	2018
Harinder Grewal	2019	2020
Bob Edwards	2019	2020
Wesley Greene	2017	2018

RESOLUTION NO. 19/2016-17

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TURLOCK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT APPROVING THE RESCHEDULING OF BOARD MEMBER ELECTIONS FROM ODD TO EVEN YEAR ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (“Board”) of the Turlock Unified School District (“District”) consists of seven (7) members elected from seven (7) trustee areas (“Trustee Area”) within the District;

WHEREAS, Education Code section 35105 sets forth the general rule that school district governing board members serve staggered terms and are elected in odd numbered years;

WHEREAS, currently the election of Board members occurs every two years, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of odd numbered years, pursuant to Elections Code section 1302, subdivision (a);

WHEREAS, the next Board election for Trustee Areas 2, 4 and 6 is scheduled for November 2017, and the next Board election for Trustee Areas 1, 3, 5 and 7 is scheduled for November 2019;

WHEREAS, statewide general elections are held in California in November of even numbered years, pursuant to Elections Code section 1001;

WHEREAS, generally, voter participation is greater for statewide general elections conducted in even numbered years than for special local elections, including school board member elections, conducted in odd numbered years;

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 415 adds Section 14050 *et seq.* to the Elections Code, requiring school districts to adopt a plan by January 1, 2018 to transition their governing board elections to the same date as statewide general elections conducted in even numbered years if past governing board elections held on special local election dates in odd numbered years resulted in a significant decrease in voter turnout;

WHEREAS, a significant decrease in voter turnout is defined as voter turnout at least 25% less than the average voter turnout for the previous four (4) statewide general elections;

WHEREAS, based on the history of voter participation within the boundaries of the District, as exemplified in Exhibit A, it is likely that the District will be required to adopt a plan to transition to even numbered year statewide general elections no later than January 1, 2018, pursuant to Elections Code section 14052, subdivision (b);

WHEREAS, after adoption of a plan, the transition to even numbered year statewide general elections must be completed no later than the November 8, 2022 statewide general election, pursuant to Elections Code section 14052, subdivision (b);

WHEREAS, regardless of whether the District is required to formulate a plan pursuant to Senate Bill 415 and Election Code sections 14050 *et seq.*, the Board desires to consolidate Board member elections with statewide general elections on even numbered years to allow for Board member elections to occur when the largest number of voters generally participate in the election;

WHEREAS, the District Board may adopt a resolution to establish Board member elections to occur on the same day as the statewide general election pursuant to Elections Code section 1302, subdivision (b), subject to approval by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors (“County Board of Supervisors”);

WHEREAS, the District Board’s resolution to establish Board member elections on the same day as the statewide general election, must be submitted to the County Board of Supervisors no later than 240 days prior to the next regularly scheduled election;

WHEREAS, the next regularly scheduled election for District Board members is November 7, 2017, and 240 days prior to November 7, 2017, is March 12, 2017;

WHEREAS, within sixty (60) days from the date that the District submits such a resolution to the County Board of Supervisors, the County Board of Supervisors must approve the resolution unless it finds that the ballot style, voting equipment, or computer capacity is such that additional elections or materials cannot be handled (Elec. Code § 10404.5, subdivision (d)(1));

WHEREAS, public notices of the proceeding in which the resolution is to be considered for adoption by the County Board of Supervisors must be made by County Board of Supervisors pursuant to Section 25151 of the Government Code;

WHEREAS, this resolution is contingent upon approval of the County Board of Supervisors and if rejected, this resolution will be null and void;

WHEREAS, if the County Board of Supervisors approves this resolution to establish Board member elections on the same day as the statewide general election, the terms of all Board members are extended by one (1) year pursuant to Elections Code section 10404.5, subdivision (g); and

WHEREAS, the result of such actions would be staggered Board elections in even numbered years, commencing with the next election for Trustee Areas 2, 4 and 6 in November 2018, and the election of Trustee Areas 1, 3, 5 and 7 in November 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Trustees of the Turlock Unified School District hereby finds and resolves that:

1. Board member elections shall be consolidated with the statewide direct primary election or the statewide general election held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each even numbered year; thus, no board member election shall be conducted in November of 2017.

2. The Superintendent is directed to submit this Resolution to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors not later than March 12, 2017.
3. If this Resolution is approved by the County Board of Supervisors, the terms of office of all members of the Board shall be extended one (1) year, and District Board member elections will occur in even numbered years, as described in Exhibit B.
4. Upon approval of this Resolution by the Board of Trustees, the District Superintendent shall cause a certified copy of this Resolution to be filed with the County Board of Supervisors and the Stanislaus County Superintendent of Schools.
5. The District Superintendent and her designees are hereby authorized and directed to take any other steps necessary to effectuate the purpose and intent of this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of the Turlock Unified School District, Stanislaus County, California, on this 21st day of February, 2017 at a duly noticed meeting, by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 (Gordon, Carlson, Malech, Silva, Lima)

Noes: 2 (Carter, Weaver)

Abstentions: 0

Absent: 0


Jennifer Carter,
Clerk of the Board of Trustees
Turlock Unified School District
Stanislaus County, State of California

Exhibit A

Stanislaus County Registrar of Voters
California Voter Participation Rights Act / Voter Participation Calculations

2013 UDEL Comparison
Four Statewide Election Average for Even Years 2012 & 2010

District	2013 Nov UDEL Voter Turnout	2012 Nov General Voter Turnout	2012 June Primary Voter Turnout	2010 Nov General Voter Turnout	2010 June Primary Voter Turnout	Four Statewide Election AVERAGE Voter Turnout	Voter Turnout Percentage Difference
Turlock Unified Trustee Area 1							
Turlock Unified Trustee Area 2	23%	71%	35%	57%	36%	50%	27%
Turlock Unified Trustee Area 3							
Turlock Unified Trustee Area 4	0%	74%	41%	62%	40%	54%	-
Turlock Unified Trustee Area 5							
Turlock Unified Trustee Area 6	16%	70%	30%	52%	28%	45%	29%
Turlock Unified Trustee Area 7							

2015 UDEL Comparison
Four Statewide Election Average for Even Years 2014 & 2012

District	2015 Nov UDEL Voter Turnout	2014 Nov General Voter Turnout	2014 June Primary Voter Turnout	2012 Nov General Voter Turnout	2012 June Primary Voter Turnout	Four Statewide Election AVERAGE Voter Turnout	Voter Turnout Percentage Difference
Turlock Unified Trustee Area 1	0%	49%	28%	71%	31%	45%	-
Turlock Unified Trustee Area 2							
Turlock Unified Trustee Area 3	0%	49%	28%	69%	32%	45%	-
Turlock Unified Trustee Area 4							
Turlock Unified Trustee Area 5	0%	45%	26%	65%	30%	42%	-
Turlock Unified Trustee Area 6							
Turlock Unified Trustee Area 7	0%	45%	26%	63%	29%	41%	-

0% indicates the district was scheduled for election but had no contest and did not appear on the ballot

Shaded area indicates the district was not scheduled for election

Districts with over 25% difference in voter turnout are subject to SB 415 requirements

Exhibit B

<u>Trustee Area</u>	<u>Current Election Year</u>	<u>New Election Year</u>
Trustee Area 2	2017	2018
Trustee Area 4	2017	2018
Trustee Area 6	2017	2018
Trustee Area 1	2019	2020
Trustee Area 3	2019	2020
Trustee Area 5	2019	2020
Trustee Area 7	2019	2020

RESOLUTION NO. 16-17-07

RESOLUTION OF THE RIVERBANK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD APPROVING THE RESCHEDULING OF BOARD MEMBER ELECTIONS FROM ODD TO EVEN YEAR ELECTIONS COMMENCING WITH THE 2018 GOVERNING BOARD ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Governing Board ("Board") of the Riverbank Unified School District ("District") consists of five members, Suzanne Dean, Ana Vigil, Elizabeth Meza, Susan Taylor, and Ernest Velasco; and

WHEREAS, Education Code section 35105 sets forth the general rule that school district governing board members serve staggered terms and are elected in odd numbered years; and

WHEREAS, currently the election of District Board members occurs every two years, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of odd-numbered years (e.g., November 2017), pursuant to Elections Code section 1302, subdivision (a); and

WHEREAS, the next Board elections for the seats currently held by Suzanne Dean, Elizabeth Meza, and Susan Taylor are currently scheduled for November 2017, and the next Board elections for the seats currently held by Ana Vigil and Ernest Velasco are currently scheduled for November 2019; and

WHEREAS, statewide general elections are held in California in November of even-numbered years, pursuant to Elections Code section 1001; and

WHEREAS, generally, voter participation is greater for statewide general elections than for special local elections, including school board member elections; and

WHEREAS, effective January 1, 2018, Senate Bill 415 adds Section 14050 *et seq.* to the Elections Code, requiring school districts to hold their governing board elections on the same date as statewide elections, if holding it on another date has previously resulted in a significant decrease in voter turnout (significant decrease in voter turnout is described as voter turnout at least 25% less than the average voter turnout for the previous four statewide general elections); and

WHEREAS, based on history of voter participation within the boundaries of the District, it is likely that the District will be required to adopt a plan to transition to even-numbered year general elections no later than January 1, 2018, pursuant to Elections Code section 14052, subdivision (b); and

WHEREAS, consolidating the District Board member elections with statewide general elections in even-numbered years will reduce the District's election costs; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to consolidate Board member elections with statewide general elections on even-numbered years for the purpose of reducing election costs and allowing for Board member elections to occur when the largest number of voters generally participate in the election; and

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WHEREAS, within 60 days from the date that the District submits such a resolution to the County Board of Supervisors, the County Board of Supervisors must approve the resolution unless it finds that the ballot style, voting equipment, or computer capacity is such that additional elections or materials cannot be handled (Elec. Code § 10404.5, subd. (d)(1)); and

WHEREAS, public notices of the proceeding in which the resolution is to be considered for adoption by the County Board of Supervisors must be made by County Board of Supervisors pursuant to Section 25151 of the Government Code; and

WHEREAS, if the County Board of Supervisors approves the District Board’s resolution to establish Board member elections on the same day as the statewide general election, the terms of all Board members are extended by one year pursuant to Elections Code section 10404.5, subdivision (g); and

WHEREAS, the result of such actions would be staggered Board elections in even-numbered years, commencing with the next election for Board members Suzanne Dean, Elizabeth Meza, and Susan Taylor in November 2018, and the next election for Board members Ana Vigil and Ernest Velasco in November 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Board of the Riverbank Unified School District hereby finds and resolves that:

1. Board member elections shall be consolidated with the statewide direct primary election or the statewide general election held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each even-numbered year.
2. The Superintendent is directed to submit this Resolution to the County Board of Supervisors not later than 240 days prior to the date of the currently scheduled November 2017 Board election.

3. If this Resolution is approved by the County Board of Supervisors, the terms of office of all members of the Board of the District shall be extended one (1) year, as described in Exhibit A, attached herein, and the District Board member elections will occur in even-numbered years.
4. Upon approval of this Resolution by the Governing Board, the District Superintendent shall cause a certified copy of this Resolution to be filed with the County Board of Supervisors and the Stanislaus County Superintendent of Schools.
5. The District Superintendent and his designees are hereby authorized and directed to take any other steps necessary to effectuate the purpose and intent of this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Riverbank Unified School District, Stanislaus County, California, on this 14th day of February, 2017 at a duly noticed meeting, by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Abstentions: 0 Absent: 1

I, Suzanne Dean, President of the Governing Board of the Riverbank Unified School District, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by said Governing Board on the ___ day of February, 2017.

Date: 2/14/17



Ana Vigil
Clerk of the Governing Board of
the Riverbank Unified School District

Certified a True Copy



Secretary

Exhibit A

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Current Election Year</u>	<u>New Election Year</u>
Suzanne Dean	2017	2018
Elizabeth Meza	2017	2018
Susan Taylor	2017	2018
Ana Vigil	2019	2020
Ernest Velasco	2019	2020