



***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 8-C**  
From: Emma Turner, CSBA President  
Re: 2019 Ballot for CSBA Delegate Assembly — **U.S. Postmark Deadline is Fri. March 15**

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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, 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  
SUBREGION 8-C  
(Stanislaus County)

Number of vacancies: 2 (Vote for no more than 2 candidates)

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

*\*denotes incumbent*

Cynthia (Cyndi) Lindsey (Sylvan Un. SD)\*

Ken Malech (Turlock USD)

Ray S. Prock Jr. (Denair USD)

John Walker (Modesto City Schools)

Paul Wallace (Newman Crows Landing USD)\*

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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 Name*

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*Date of Board Action*

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

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**REGION 8 – 14 Delegates (12 elected/2 appointed)◆**

**Director: Matthew Balzarini (Lammersville Joint USD)**

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

**Subregion 8-A (San Joaquin)**

Kathleen Garcia (Stockton USD)◆, appointed term expires 2021  
Kathy Howe (Manteca USD), term expires 2020  
Cecilia Mendez (Stockton USD)◆, appointed term expires 2020  
George Neely (Lodi USD), term expires 2019  
Christopher (Kit) Oase (Ripon USD), term expires 2019  
Stephen Schluer (Manteca USD), term expires 2020  
Jenny Van De Pol (Lincoln USD), term expires 2020

**Subregion 8-B (Amador, Calaveras, Tuolumne)**

Vacant, term expires 2019

**Subregion 8-C (Stanislaus)**

Faye Lane (Ceres USD), term expires 2020  
Cynthia (Cindi) Lindsey (Sylvan Union ESD), term expires 2019  
Paul Wallace (Neman-Crows Landing USD), term expires 2019

**Subregion 8-D (Merced)**

Adam Cox (Merced City ESD), term expires 2019  
John Medearis (Merced Union HSD), term expires 2020

**County Delegate:**

Juliana Feriani (Tuolumne COE), term expires 2020

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**Counties**

San Joaquin (Subregion A)  
Amador, Calaveras, Tuolumne (Subregion B)  
Stanislaus (Subregion C)  
Merced (Subregion D)



## 2019 Delegate Assembly Candidate Biographical Sketch Form

**DUE: Monday, January 7, 2019 – no late submissions accepted**

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: Cynthia Lindsey

Date: November 7, 2018

Name: Cynthia (Cyndi) Lindsey CSBA Region & subregion #: 8-C  
District or COE: Sylvan Union School District Years on board: 30  
Profession: Business Owner Contact Number (please V  Cell  Home  Bus.): (209) 988-0252  
\*Primary E-mail: muttilin@aol.com  
(\*Communications from CSBA will be sent to primary email)  
Are you an incumbent Delegate?  Yes  No | If yes, year you became Delegate: 22 years

**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 have served as a CSBA Delegate for 22 years and am a graduate of CSBA'S Master Boardmanship Program; District Representative at the Northern and Southern California CSBA Conference; Governmental Relations Representative for the Delegate Assembly; Validator for the Golden Bell Award; Federal Relations representative for CSBA's Delegate Assembly (2002/2003-2004/2008); Appointed to CSBA's Policy Platform Committee for 2006. I would like to continue on as a Delegate to serve on committees and action groups, bringing over 30 years of experience on a school board. I am interested and believe board members need to step up and be advocates for our children. I work to solve issues with teams.

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

Board of Trustees President (1993, 1998, 2004, 2009, 2013, 2018); Board of Trustees Vice President (1992, 1996, 1997, 2003, 2008, 2012, 2017); District Rep SIFA Board (1999-2018); Co-Founder, District Rep for SCANS (Stanislaus County Advocate Network for Schools); A founding member of Sylvan Educational Foundation (1993-2012); District Rep for SCSBA (Stanislaus County School Boards Association); to elect members of the county committee on school district organization (19 yrs); Chairman of Sylvan Union's Long Range Plan, Chairman of implementing year round school & Chairman of implementing middle school (6-8th grades); President of Stockard Coffee Elem. PTA (10 yrs); League of women voters.

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

Currently there are several issues that I feel should be recognized as important challenges for governing boards. One of the biggest I foresee is the lack of federal and state funding for mandatory programs. Special Education is becoming increasingly difficult for districts to fund while the needs of so many children are becoming prevalent. Support for facilities will be minimal at best, due to changes in the state budget. Another challenge is the current teacher shortage and the challenges associated with credential requirements. CSBA carries a tremendous influence in representing so many school districts and regions within California, thus CSBA needs to continue working with legislature.

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Signature: Ken Malech Date: 1/2/2019

Name: Ken Malech CSBA Region & subregion #: 8C  
 District or COE: Turlock Unified School District Years on board: 4  
 Profession: elementary teacher Contact Number (please V  Cell  Home  Bus.): (209) 667-0632  
 \*Primary E-mail: kmalech@turlock.k12.ca.us  
 (\*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.

As an experienced trustee for the Turlock Unified School District, I am deeply interested in the financial and political issues that confront us on a daily basis. As a Delegate for Subregion 8C, I plan on representing the Stanislaus Valley in the best way that represents the students and staff of our Valley.

In addition to being an experienced trustee, I am also an educator of 23 years. I look forward to the challenges that face our subregion, and being part of the solution.

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

In the last 20 years, it has been my pleasure to serve the students and parents of the District and community of Turlock in the following areas:

- parent advocate for music and STEM program
- Regularly attend District Board Meetings
- Coaching softball and baseball for 14 years in the community
- On-going communication with TUSD Superintendent to address District concerns
- Respond to community questions and concerns as a TUSD trustee
- Attend CSBA Annual Education Conference yearly
- County and District Head Start Committ
- Attend District events

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

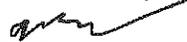
Some of the challenges facing governing boards are being prepared financially for all economic situations, pension costs, and making sure our students are college and career ready for the future. I believe it is imperative that all trustees and staff have a solid financial understanding of budgets, pension costs, and State funding. Also, with our world entering a more advanced area of STEM, or technology, I believe it is imperative that CSBA begin promoting funding for college and careers that are in high demand.

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**Signature:**  **Date:** January 5, 2019

Name: <u>Ray S Prock Jr.</u>	CSBA Region & subregion #: <u>08 c</u>
District or COE: <u>Denair Unified School District</u>	Years on board: <u>3</u>
Profession: <u>Dairy Farmer</u> Contact Number (please v <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cell <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Bus.): <u>209-652-5349</u>	
*Primary E-mail: <u>rayjr@raylindairy.com</u>	
<small>(*Communications from CSBA will be sent to primary email)</small>	
Are you an incumbent Delegate? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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)

Throughout my career in agriculture starting way back in FFA I have enjoyed working with groups to come to common ground. I have previously had the pleasure of being a delegate for the CA & American Farm Bureau Annual Meetings. Both of these involved relationship building, compromise and debate in large and small group formats. I also previously was on a large Dairy Promotion Board and was entrusted to a leadership position for my ability to be a big picture thinker. I bring my ability to work as team member and think strategically in crafting policy and direction.

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

Denair Unified has faced and overcome numerous challenges in recent years. One of those challenges was being near financial ruin due to declining enrollment. I have played an instrumental role as a part of our Governance team as we have turned enrollment into a positive. It was the cohesion within our team that came from CSBA consulting services that allowed us to do this. In the past year I served as Board President welcoming 2 new team members to a team that did not miss a step going on to hire a new Superintendent a few months later.

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

The challenge Governing Boards face is the same society in general faces, thought leadership. Thought leadership, strategic thinking, big picture, whatever you call it we do not see enough of it in society. The ability to think past the here & now without disregarding the here & now is something vital to governing boards as we create policy. As citizen representatives it is imperative, we take our daily hats off but not let them get too far away as we put our governance hats on to guide education in our communities. CSBA has and can continue supporting governing boards with this challenge through their various leadership development programs such as MIG and consulting workshops.

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Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

Date: 12/21/2019

Name: John Walker

CSBA Region & subregion #: 8C

District or COE: Modesto City Schools

Years on board: 3

Profession: Software Engineer Contact Number (please  V  Cell  Home  Bus.): 209-404-4923

\*Primary E-mail: Walker.jo@mcs4kids.com

(\*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 delegate because Modesto City Schools is the largest district in the county with the largest unduplicated pupil count, and over 7,000 English Learners just in the Elementary district. When one takes into account the 7 K-8 feeder districts it is my absolute conviction that MCSD should have a delegate position within the assembly. I have completed the Masters In Governance course, attended the Leadership Institute course last summer, and just about every other professional development opportunity made available to me as board member. I have also chaired both the student equity and board policy development subcommittee's our board has authorized.

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

In addition to the 2 sub-committee's mentioned above I have been the board Vice President, and now the Board President. I am also a member of the local chamber of commerce. I am a research and development software engineer for NASA with over 18 years of professional experience within the field.

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

The first challenge is obtaining adequate / fair funding with the caveat that it does not come with more compliance strings attached which in essence limits our local control to use the funding in ways that improve student outcomes based on local needs and not pre-defined needs of the legislature. The second challenge is improving student outcomes which is an issue statewide. I believe CSBA and the delegate assembly needs to do much more work to advocate for local decisions relative to classroom material, professional development, and instruction. The state mandated / recommended choices have not, are not, and show no indication of widespread effective results to improve student outcomes.

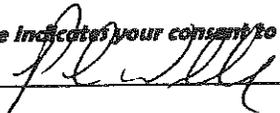
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Signature: 

Date: 12/30/2018

Name: Paul Wallace CSBA Region & subregion #: 8-C

District or COE: Newman Crows Landing Unified School District Years on board: 9

Profession: Farmer Contact Number (please v  Cell  Home  Bus.): 209 613 2690

\*Primary E-mail: PWallace@nclusd.k12.ca.us

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

Are you an incumbent Delegate?  Yes  No | If yes, year you became Delegate: 2016

**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 hoping to be reelected as a delegate to represent the issues and concerns of Stanislaus County School Districts. I have been fortunate to participate in a variety of training and on the job learning as a school board member. I am a graduate of CSBA Masters in Governance. I have attended several CSBA annual education conferences and I have attended Model Schools conference. I have been a regular participant in the CSBA legislative action day. I am very excited that I have been selected to serve on the 2019 Delegate Assembly, Legislation committee. I hope you will choose to reelect me so I can take this position and advocate for Stanislaus districts in CSBA's legislative agenda.

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

In my time as a trustee, we have successfully hired 2 superintendents, I have served on our board finance and facilities committees. Prior to joining the school board, I was a planning commissioner and served on the committee to design our new elementary campus. I am the Secretary of the Association of Stanislaus County School Boards, which really helps me understand the needs of all Stanislaus County Districts and SCOE. I have been a CSBA delegate for 2 years now. I have been a vocal supporter of the needs for our area. I believe my efforts contributed to CSBA taking a position for local authority and against imposing a statewide school start time.

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

First priority is student achievement. Our schools are not adequately funded. Our budgets are growing more slowly. We are continually facing attempts by the state legislature to mandate what happens in each of our districts. California is a huge and diverse place and there is no logical way for uniform mandates to best meet the needs of students from every district.

CSBA has a crucial role in serving districts so districts can serve communities. Fighting for more and stable funding requires our collective efforts. I look forward to working with our new CSBA staff PACER to increase our political clout in Sacramento.

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