

Delegate Assembly Biographical Sketch Form for 2022 Election



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Signature: _____ Date: January 5, 2022

Name: <u>Yolanda C. Peña-Mendrek</u>	CSBA Region & subregion #: <u>7A</u>
District or COE: <u>Liberty Union High School District</u>	Years on board: <u>13</u>
Profession: <u>Retired Educator</u> Contact Number (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cell <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Bus.): <u>925-382-2869</u>	
Primary E-mail: <u>ymendrek@aol.com</u>	
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.

I am a retired Educator and I understand the current needs and challenges that schools are experiencing. As a member of the community I see the needs of students to be educated in a safe environment where social justice is prevalent at all levels. Every child has the civil right to an education that values and respect the contributions of all students. As an educator, I have provided that opportunity to students, consequently I can offer an opinion as to when a policy should be created, endorsed and/or approved that would be fair and equitable to all.

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

As an involved community member I have participated in many activities with several organizations. Please see below:

1. Brentwood Inter-Agency Committee, where we discuss educational and local issues impacting our students
2. Freedom HS Board Liaison
3. CSBA Delegate Region 7A (2013-2017)
4. California School Board Association-CSBA Director Region 7A (2017-2021)
5. Contra Costa County CCCSBA - Past President, current Treasurer
6. Red Cross Volunteer - Disaster Action Team (DAT)
7. Soroptimist International of the Delta
8. Kiwanis Club of Golden Gate

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

The biggest challenge of governing boards is understanding the guidelines and mandates regarding the COVID, and working with families to share information that's relevant and verifiable. Many families fear for the health of their students and loved ones and consequently have many con or pro opinions regarding mask use or vaccines.

CSBA should continue providing timely and accurate information to school boards that can be shared for the purpose of educating all involved. Informational newsletters and webinar are some that come to mind, as well as keeping informed of changes coming from the Governor's office, CDE and CDC.

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Signature: Marina G. Ramos Date: 11/29/2021

Name: Marina G. Ramos CSBA Region & subregion #: 7A
District or COE: John Swett Unified School District Years on board: 5
Profession: Resources Advocate Contact Number (Cell Home Bus.): (510) 672-9462
Primary E-mail: mramos@jsusd.org

Are you an Incumbent Delegate? Yes No If yes, year you became Delegate: 2020

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

My interest in becoming a delegate is to represent John Swett Unified School District as well as contribute to CSBA by advocating at state level for changes to policies affecting students in education. As a delegate I will continue advocating and supporting CSBA's endorsed states bills and propositions. I will continue my advocacy during State Legislative Day of Action. I will support initiatives presented to the state. I will make phone calls to the state capitol for support on state bills endorsed by our organization.

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

My commitment to John Swett Unified School District includes, participating on community events, organizations meetings, schools events, and local government engagement. My commitment to CSBA is to keep myself inform on state bills & polycies endorsed and supported by it. To be an active member by participating in actions needed example: phone call to our politiciannns and government representatives when needed. Last but not least Participate on the Legislative Day of Action.

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

I see a biggest challenge for districts is " Accountability" Financial Accountability from the State to school districts. Allocation of funds from general funds into Education. School Distrist accross the state need more funds to meet students present needs.

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Signature: Mary Helen Rocha Date: 12/20/2021

Name: <u>Mary Helen Rocha</u>	CSBA Region & subregion #: <u>7</u>
District or COE: <u>Antioch Unified School District</u>	Years on board: <u>19</u> (including 4 previous terms)
Profession: <u>Retired</u> Contact Number <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cell <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Bus.): <u>925-207-7220</u>	
Primary E-mail: <u>maryrocha4antioch@gmail.com</u>	
Are you an incumbent Delegate? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If yes, year you became Delegate: <u>2020</u>

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

I have been a Delegate for Region 7 for the last 2 years and would like to continue. I was a member of the 2021 CSBA conference committee held in San Diego where I was given the privilege to introduce the speakers for one of the workshops. I was also invited to be one of the three judges to select the delegate for districts that had tied delegate election results.

I also have more than 30 years of public service through elected offices as a School Board Member and City Council Member, and was the first Latina to be elected as Mayor in my city.

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

I completed CSBA Masters in Governance courses 1 & 2 held in February in Oakland. At the local level, I represent our Board on the School District/City Joint Committee and was a member of the committee for our LCAP Master Plan revision, which was adopted in June 2021. I also served as and AUSD Personnel Commissioner.

I am actively involved in the community with the Antioch Woman's Club, Director at Large; GFWC Mt. Diablo District; Kiwanis Club of United Antioch; and Brighter Beginnings Community Clinic Board Member, Secretary. I also volunteer regularly at several of our schools.

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

Finance continues to be one of our biggest challenges especially as we continue to resolve the COVID-19 issues that have affected our student, staff, and families. The one-time funding is helpful in addressing some needs, but there are restrictions and deadlines on its use.

Districts need help addressing the challenges the pandemic has created to funding that is based on average daily attendance (ADA) as COVID-19 related absences are causing a huge decrease in ADA at the same time districts are experiencing declining enrollment.

Support is also needed in addressing the rapidly rising district-required contributions to CalSTRS and CalPERS. CalSTRS is currently at 16.92% and is expected to rise to 19.1% in 2024-25. CalPRS is currently at 22.91% and is expected to rise to 27.7% in 2024-25.

Districts also continue to need adequate funding from the Federal government for Special Education. Although funding did recently increase, it is still not sufficient to meet the program requirements for special education students.

We as School Board Members need to be the voice for our students and families as partners with CSBA and share issues from our communities in order to get support from CSBA.

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Signature: Pauline R. Allred Date: 1/4/2022

Name: Pauline Rivera Allred CSBA Region & subregion #: 7a
District or COE: Liberty Union High School District Years on board: 6
Profession: Paraprofessional Contact Number (Cell Home Bus.): 925 759-1597
Primary E-mail: Paweer2000@yahoo.com

Are you an incumbent Delegate? Yes No If yes, year you became Delegate: 2019

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

I was an active parent in the elementary schools, serving on the school site council and in 2011 hired as a special needs paraprofessional. My interest was sparked to become more involved and run for a school board member seat. Since my election in 2014 to the Board, two of my fellow board members have shared experiences as CSBA delegates and in 2019 I was elected to serve as a delegate. I look forward to being once again considered for delegate assembly candidate seat.

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

Currently serve as a President and have served as President (2017) and Clerk (2016). I work along with my Board to pass a school bond measure in 2016. I am visible and regularly attend district events. I serve on the Educational Foundation and Graduates of Distinction committees. I service my community as a member of the County Blue Star Moms Assoc. Chapter 20. My passed service was a Merit Badge Counselor for the Boys Scouts (BSA) and Downs Syndrome Connection Assoc. I attend CSBA Conferences annually as well as local CSBA offerings i.e. Full and Fair Funding and attended the Board President and Brown Act Workshops.

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

The biggest challenge I still see facing governing boards is the lack of team collaboration. Our purpose should be to work together to ensure student success by increased school funding. CSBA can support this effort by taking this challenge to Sacramento.