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March 8, 2013

VIA HAND DELIVERY

800 ARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board of Supervisors County of Stanislaus c/o The Clerk of the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors 1010 10th Street Suite 6700 Modesto, CA 95354

Re: <u>Hughson Unified School District Request To Reschedule Governing Board</u>

<u>Member Elections From Odd-Numbered Years To Even-Numbered Years;</u>

Elections Code Section 10404.5

Dear Supervisors:

Please be advised that the Hughson Unified School District ("District") at a special meeting held Thursday, March 7, 2013, voted to change its governing board member election schedule from odd-numbered years to even-numbered years.

Pursuant to Elections Code section 10404.5, the District hereby submits a copy of the District's resolution along with this formal request to the County Board of Supervisors to approve the change sought by the District.

Under Elections Code section 10404.5(d)(1), the County Board of Supervisors shall approve the resolution within sixty (60) days of receiving the request unless i finds that the ballot style, voting equipment, or computer capacity is such that additional elections or materials cannot be handled.

The District seeks to consolidate its election with the statewide general election for several reasons. First, voter turnout is generally greater for statewide general elections than for special local elections including school board member elections. Second, there is a potential cost savings to the District for consolidating. Finally, the District is requesting this change in order to provide sufficient time for the District to convert from an at-large election method to a by-trustee

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area election method to avoid liability under the California Voting Rights Act, utilizing data from the 2010 Census.

Currently, there is insufficient time to change District's election method in advance of the November 2013 election.

The District is prepared to bear the cost of the notice to the voters pursuant to Elections Code section 10404.5(e).

Please feel free to contact the undersigned should you have any questions or concerns. The District appreciates your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

ATKINSON, ANDELSON, LOYA, RUUD & ROMO

David A. Soldani

DAS/jrt

C: Brian Beck, Superintendent HUSD

Hughson Unified School District Governing Board ERVISORS

RESOLUTION NO. 12/13:08 2013 MAR -8 A 10: 57

HUGHSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT RESCHEDULING ELECTION OF GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS

WHEREAS, the current date for election of governing board members of the Hughson Unified School District ("District") is every two (2) years on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of odd years (e.g., November 2013) (Education Code section 5000 and Elections Code section 1302 (a)); and

WHEREAS, statewide general elections are held in California only in June and November of even years (e.g., November 2014) (Elections Code section 1001); and

WHEREAS, the District is located within Stanislaus County; and

WHEREAS, the District has been informed that there would be a cost savings for the District resulting from aligning the District's elections with the statewide general elections; and

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

WHEREAS, the District is also changing its election method to a by-trustee area method and desires to utilize data from the 2010 Census to create trustee areas; and

WHEREAS, the District will not have sufficient time to implement a by-trustee area method of election in time for a November 2013 election; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these facts, the Board desires to change the date of future board member elections to be consolidated with the California statewide general election in order to save District monies and to provide greater voter input into school board elections, and to provide the District with sufficient time to implement a by-trustee area election method; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code 1302 (b) establishes a procedure whereby the Board may change the election date for its board members by adopting a resolution seeking approval of the change by the Board of Supervisors of the affected county (Elections Code section 10404.5); and

WHEREAS, if the change in election date is approved, it is being requested that the new election date be moved from November 2013 to November 2014 with board members whose terms would have expired in 2013 being extended to 2014 and board members whose terms would have expired in 2015 being extended to 2016 [refer to Appendix A].

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hughson Unified School District Board of Education adopts this resolution to consolidate the election date for members of the Board with the date for the California general election in November in even years (Elections Code 1001) pursuant to Elections Code section 1302 (b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent will forward this resolution to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors explaining the rationale for the resolution and requesting formal approval of the change by the Board of Supervisors at a public meeting within 60 days after submission and after the resolution has been posted in accordance with law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent will notify the Stanislaus County Elections Office that the District is prepared to pay the expense of mailing notice of approval of the change in election date by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors as required by Elections Code 10404.5 (e).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the consolidation of election is approved by the Board of Supervisors, the date of that election will be moved to November 2014 and each subsequent board member election will be held two years thereafter in November of even years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the consolidation of election is approved, the term of office of current board members expiring in November 2013 will be extended to November 2014 and the term of board members expiring in November 2015 will be extended to November 2016.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Hughson Unified School District Board of Education at a regularly scheduled meeting this 7th day of March, 2013, by the following vote:

AYES: 5
NOES: 0
ABSENT: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

Rick Applegate,

President of the Governing Board

Brian Beck,

Secretary of the Governing Board

Appendix A to Resolution No. 12/13:08

Board Member	<u>Current Election</u> <u>Year</u>	New Election Year
Rick Applegate	2013	2014
Cindy Cunningham-Gipp	2013	2014
Randall Heckman	2013	2014
Mark Harman	2015	2016
Jim Hudelson	2015	2016

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March 6, 2013

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Board of Supervisors County of Stanislaus c/o The Clerk of the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors 1010 10th Street Suite 6700 Modesto, CA 95354 2013 WAR -6 TO 4: 04

Re: Newman-Crows Unified School District Request To Reschedule Governing
Board Member Elections From Odd-Numbered Years To Even-Numbered
Years; Elections Code Section 10404.5

Dear Supervisors:

Please be advised that the Newman-Crows Unified School District ("District") at a special meeting held Tuesday, March 5, 2013, voted to change its governing board member election schedule from odd-numbered years to even-numbered years.

Pursuant to Elections Code section 10404.5, the District hereby submits a copy of the District's resolution along with this formal request to the County Board of Supervisors to approve the change sought by the District.

Under Elections Code section 10404.5(d)(1), the County Board of Supervisors shall approve the resolution within sixty (60) days of receiving the request unless it finds that the ballot style, voting equipment, or computer capacity is such that additional elections or materials cannot be handled.

The District seeks to consolidate its election with the statewide general election for several reasons. First, voter turnout is generally greater for statewide general elections than for special local elections including school board member elections. Second, there is a potential cost savings to the District for consolidating. Finally, the District is requesting this change in order to provide sufficient time for the District to convert from an at-large election method to a by-trustee

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area election method to avoid liability under the California Voting Rights Act, utilizing data from the 2010 Census.

Currently, there is insufficient time to change District's election method in advance of the November 2013 election.

The District is prepared to bear the cost of the notice to the voters pursuant to Elections Code section 10404.5(e).

Please feel free to contact the undersigned should you have any questions or concerns. The District appreciates your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

ATKINSON, ANDELSON, LOYA, RUUD & ROMO

Ву

David A. Soldani

DAS/jrt

C: Ed Felt, Superintendent NCUSD

BUARD OF SUPERVISORS

NEWMAN CROWS LANDING UNIFIED SCHOOL INFSTRICT 4: 06 RESOLUTION #12-13/06

RESCHEDULING ELECTION OF GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS

WHEREAS, the current date for election of governing board members of the Newman Crows Landing Unified School District ("District") is every two (2) years on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of odd years (e.g., November 2013) (Education Code section 5000 and Elections Code section 1302 (a)); and

WHEREAS, statewide general elections are held in California only in June and November of even years (e.g., November 2014) (Elections Code section 1001); and

WHEREAS, the District is located within Stanislaus County; and

WHEREAS, the District has been informed that there would be a cost savings for the District resulting from aligning the District's elections with the statewide general elections; and

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

WHEREAS, the District is also changing its election method to a by-trustee area method and desires to utilize data from the 2010 Census to create trustee areas; and

WHEREAS, the District will not have sufficient time to implement a by-trustee area method of election in time for a November 2013 election; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these facts, the Board desires to change the date of future board member elections to be consolidated with the California statewide general election in order to save District monies and to provide greater voter input into school board elections, and provide the District with sufficient time to implement a by-trustee area election method; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code 1302 (b) establishes a procedure whereby the Board may change the election date for its board members by adopting a resolution seeking approval of the change by the Board of Supervisors of the affected county (Elections Code section 10404.5); and

WHEREAS, if the change in election date is approved, it is being requested that the new election date be moved from November 2013 to November 2014 with board members whose terms would have expired in 2013 being extended to 2014 and board members whose terms would have expired in 2015 being extended to 2016 [refer to Appendix A].

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Newman Crows Landing Unified School District Board of Education adopts this resolution to consolidate the election

date for members of the Board with the date for the California general election in November in even years (Elections Code 1001) pursuant to Elections Code section 1302 (b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent will forward this resolution to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors explaining the rationale for the resolution and requesting formal approval of the change by the Board of Supervisors at a public meeting within 60 days after submission and after the resolution has been posted in accordance with law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent will notify the Stanislaus County Elections Office that the District is prepared to pay the expense of mailing notice of approval of the change in election date by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors as required by Elections Code 10404.5(e).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the consolidation of election is approved by the Board of Supervisors, the date of that election will be moved to November 2014 and each subsequent board member election will be held two years thereafter in November of even years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the consolidation of election is approved, the term of office of current board members expiring in November 2013 will be extended to November 2014 and the term of board members expiring in November 2015 will be extended to November 2016.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Newman Crows Landing Unified School District Board of Education at a regularly scheduled meeting this 5th day of March, 2013, by the following vote:

AYES: 4
NOES: /
ABSENT: /
ABSTAIN: O

Kerry McWilliams.

President of the Governing Board

Ed Felt,

Secretary of the Governing Board

Appendix A to Resolution No. #12-13/06

Board Member	Current Election	New Election Year
Kerry McWilliams	2013	2014
Janice Conforti	2015	2016
Paul Wallace	2013	2014
Rose Lee Hurst	2015	2016
Tim Bazar	2015	2016

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March 6, 2013

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Board of Supervisors County of Stanislaus c/o The Clerk of the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors 1010 10th Street Suite 6700 Modesto, CA 95354 BOARD OF SUPERVISOR

Re: Salida School District Request To Reschedule Governing Board Member Elections From Odd-Numbered Years To Even-Numbered Years; Elections Code Section 10404.5

Dear Supervisors:

Please be advised that the Salida School District ("District") at a special meeting held Tuesday, March 5, 2013, voted to change its governing board member election schedule from odd-numbered years to even-numbered years.

Pursuant to Elections Code section 10404.5, the District hereby submits a copy of the District's resolution along with this formal request to the County Board of Supervisors to approve the change sought by the District.

Under Elections Code section 10404.5(d)(1), the County Board of Supervisors shall approve the resolution within sixty (60) days of receiving the request unless it finds that the ballot style, voting equipment, or computer capacity is such that additional elections or materials cannot be handled.

The District seeks to consolidate its election with the statewide general election for several reasons. First, voter turnout is generally greater for statewide general elections than for special local elections including school board member elections. Second, there is a potential cost savings to the District for consolidating. Finally, the District is requesting this change in order to provide sufficient time for the District to convert from an at-large election method to a by-trustee area election method to avoid liability under the California Voting Rights Act, utilizing data from the 2010 Census.

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Currently, there is insufficient time to change District's election method in advance of the November 2013 election.

The District is prepared to bear the cost of the notice to the voters pursuant to Elections Code section 10404.5(e).

Please feel free to contact the undersigned should you have any questions or concerns. The District appreciates your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

ATKINSON, ANDELSON, LOYA, RUUD & ROMO

David A. Soldani

DAS/jrt

C: Twila Tosh, Superintendent SSD

SALIDA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 1213-19

RESCHEDULING ELECTION OF GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS

WHEREAS, the current date for election of governing board members of the Salida Union School District ("District") is every two (2) years on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of odd years (e.g., November 2013) (Education Code section 5000 and Elections Code section 1302 (a)); and

WHEREAS, statewide general elections are held in California only in June and November of even years (e.g., November 2014) (Elections Code section 1001); and

WHEREAS, the District is located within Stanislaus County; and

WHEREAS, the District has been informed that there would be a cost savings for the District resulting from aligning the District's elections with the statewide general elections; and

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

WHEREAS, the District is also changing its election method to a by-trustee area method and desires to utilize data from the 2010 Census to create trustee areas; and

WHEREAS, the District will not have sufficient time to implement a by-trustee area method of election in time for a November 2013 election; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these facts, the Board desires to change the date of future board member elections to be consolidated with the California statewide general election in order to save District monies and to provide greater voter input into school board elections, and provide the District with sufficient time to implement a by-trustee area election method; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code 1302 (b) establishes a procedure whereby the Board may change the election date for its board members by adopting a resolution seeking approval of the change by the Board of Supervisors of the affected county (Elections Code section 10404.5); and

WHEREAS, if the change in election date is approved, it is being requested that the new election date be moved from November 2013 to November 2014 with board members whose terms would have expired in 2013 being extended to 2014 and board members whose terms would have expired in 2015 being extended to 2016 [refer to Appendix A].

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Salida Union School District Board of Education adopts this resolution to consolidate the election date for members of the

Board with the date for the California general election in November in even years (Elections Code 1001) pursuant to Elections Code section 1302 (b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent will forward this resolution to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors explaining the rationale for the resolution and requesting formal approval of the change by the Board of Supervisors at a public meeting within 60 days after submission and after the resolution has been posted in accordance with law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent will notify the Stanislaus County Elections Office that the District is prepared to pay the expense of mailing notice of approval of the change in election date by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors as required by Elections Code 10404.5 (e).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the consolidation of election is approved by the Board of Supervisors, the date of that election will be moved to November 2014 and each subsequent board member election will be held two years thereafter in November of even years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the consolidation of election is approved, the term of office of current board members expiring in November 2013 will be extended to November 2014 and the term of board members expiring in November 2015 will be extended to November 2016.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Salida Union School District Board of Education at a special scheduled meeting this 5th day of March, 2013, by the following vote:

AYES: 5

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

President of the Governing Board

Secretary of the Governing Board

Appendix A to Resolution No. 1213-19

Board Member	Current Election Year	New Election Year
Ivan Wyeth, II	2013	2014
Virginia Berry	2013	2014
Catie Englebright	2013	2014
Dennis Thompson	2015	2016
Dr. Gary Dew	2015	2016

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March 8, 2013

VIA HAND DELIVERY

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Board of Supervisors County of Stanislaus c/o The Clerk of the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors 1010 10th Street Suite 6700 Modesto, CA 95354

Re: Waterford Unified School District Request To Reschedule Governing Board
Member Elections From Odd-Numbered Years To Even-Numbered Years;
Elections Code Section 10404.5

Dear Supervisors:

Please be advised that the Waterford Unified School District ("District') at a special meeting held Wednesday, March 6, 2013, voted to change its governing board member election schedule from odd-numbered years to even-numbered years.

Pursuant to Elections Code section 10404.5, the District hereby submits a copy of the District's resolution along with this formal request to the County Board of Supervisors to approve the change sought by the District.

Under Elections Code section 10404.5(d)(1), the County Board of Supervisors shall approve the resolution within sixty (60) days of receiving the request unless it finds that the ballot style, voting equipment, or computer capacity is such that additional elections or materials cannot be handled.

The District seeks to consolidate its election with the statewide general election for several reasons. First, voter turnout is generally greater for statewide general elections than for special local elections including school board member elections. Second, there is a potential cost savings to the District for consolidating. Finally, the District is requesting this change in order to provide sufficient time for the District to convert from an at-large election method to a by-trustee

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area election method to avoid liability under the California Voting Rights Act, utilizing data from the 2010 Census.

Currently, there is insufficient time to change District's election method in advance of the November 2013 election.

The District is prepared to bear the cost of the notice to the voters pursuant to Elections Code section 10404.5(e).

Please feel free to contact the undersigned should you have any questions or concerns. The District appreciates your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

ATKINSON, ANDELSON, LOYA, RUL D & ROMO

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David A. Soldani

DAS/jrt

C: Don Davis, Superintendent WUSD

RESCHEDULING ELECTION OF GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS

WATERFORD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION # 130306-01

RESCHEDULING ELECTION OF GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS

WHEREAS, the current date for election of governing board members of the ford Unified School District ("District") is every two (2) years on the first Tues Tay after Waterford Unified School District ("District") is every two (2) years on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of odd years (e.g., November 2013) (Education Code section 5000 and Elections Code section 1302 (a)); and

WHEREAS, statewide general elections are held in California only in June and November of even years (e.g., November 2014) (Elections Code section 1001); and

WHEREAS, the District is located within Stanislaus County; and

WHEREAS, the District has been informed that there would be a cost savings for the District resulting from aligning the District's elections with the statewide general elections; and

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

WHEREAS, the District is also changing its election method to a by-trustee area method and desires to utilize data from the 2010 Census to create trustee areas; and

WHEREAS, the District will not have sufficient time to implement a by-trustee area method of election in time for a November 2013 election; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these facts, the Board desires to change the date of future board member elections to be consolidated with the California statewide general election in order to save District monies and to provide greater voter input into school board elections, and to provide the District with sufficient time to implement a by-trustee area election method; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code 1302 (b) establishes a procedure whereby the Board may change the election date for its board members by adopting a resolution seeking approval of the change by the Board of Supervisors of the affected county (Elections Code section 10404.5); and

WHEREAS, if the change in election date is approved, it is being requested that the new election date be moved from November 2013 to November 2014 with board members whose terms would have expired in 2013 being extended to 2014 and board members whose terms would have expired in 2015 being extended to 2016 [refer to Appendix A].

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Waterford Unified School District Board of Education adopts this resolution to consolidate the election date for members of the Board with the date for the California general election in November in even years (Elections Code 1001) pursuant to Elections Code section 1302 (b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent will forward this resolution to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors explaining the rationale for the resolution and requesting formal approval of the change by the Board of Supervisors at a public meeting within 60 days after submission and after the resolution has been posted in accordance with law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent will notify the Stanislaus County Elections Office that the District is prepared to pay the expense of mailing notice of approval of the change in election date by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors as required by Elections Code 10404.5 (e).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the consolidation of election is approved by the Board of Supervisors, the date of that election will be moved to November 2014 and each subsequent board member election will be held two years thereafter in November of even years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the consolidation of election is approved, the term of office of current board members expiring in November 2013 will be extended to November 2014 and the term of board members expiring in November 2015 will be extended to November 2016.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Waterford Unified School District Board of Education at a special board meeting this 6th day of March, 2013, by the following vote:

President of the Governing Board

Secretary of the Coverning Board

Appendix A to Resolution No. 130306-01

Board Member	Current Election Year	New Election Year
Tim Bomgardner	2013	2014
Sheila Collins	2013	2014
Jim Weaver	2013	2014
Matt Erickson	2015	2016
Lisa Hawkins	2015	2016

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March 7, 2013

County of Stanislaus Christine Ferraro Tallman Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 1010 10th Street Suite 6700 Modesto, CA 95354

Re:

Request for Rescheduling Election of Governing Board Members -Resolution # 12-13/11

2013 MAR -8 A 8: 36

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Dear Ms. Tallman:

Please find attached our Resolution # 12-13/11 - Rescheduling Election of Governing Board Members for the Stanislaus Union School District. On March 7, 2013, our Governing Board adopted the above-mentioned resolution to request a change from odd-year elections to even-year elections.

The District Board adopted this resolution in order to save public funds, provide greater voter input and participation into school board elections, and avoid any potential liability under the California Voting Rights Act (Election Code section 14025 et seq.). The District may achieve a savings in the cost of its elections if the District's elections are consolidated with the statewide general elections and the elections are held in either two or three trustee areas at each general election. Additionally, voter turnout is greater for statewide general elections than for local elections, including school board member elections held in November of odd-numbered years. The District is also considering changing its election method to a district-based method and desires to utilize data from the 2010 Census to create trustee areas. The District may not have sufficient time to implement a district-based method of election in time for a November 2013 election, and still allow for adequate public participation in the process of establishing trustee areas. Therefore, the District Board seeks to change the election year cycle in order to save public funds, increase voter turnout and participation, and avoid any potential liability under the California Voting Rights Act.

Under California Elections Code section 10404.5, Stanislaus Union School District adopted a resolution to change their election dates from November of odd-numbered years to the statewide direct primary of even-numbered years. The resolution requests the Board of Supervisors to approve the District's request for consolidation of its elections with the

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statewide primary elections beginning in 2014. California Elections Code section 10404.5(d)(1) provides that the Board of Supervisors shall approve such a school district consolidation resolution unless it finds that the ballot style, voting equipment, or computer capacity is such that additional elections or materials cannot be handled.

If the change in election date is approved, the new election date will be moved from the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2013 to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2014 with board members whose terms would have expired in 2013 being extended to 2014 and board members whose terms would have expired in 2015 being extended to 2016.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (209) 529-9546.

Sincerely.

Wayne Brown Superintendent

Stanislaus Union School District

Attachments: Four (4) Original signed Resolution # 12-13/11 - Rescheduling Election of Governing Board Members

cc: Gilbert Jackson, Board President

Sandy Putnam, Chief Business Officer

Lee Lundrigan, Stanislaus County Registrar of Voters and Clerk Recorder

Roman J. Muñoz, Kronick Moskovitz Tiedemann & Girard

BUARD OF SUPERVISORSTANISLAUS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION #12-13/11

2013 MAR -8 A 8: 36 A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE STANISLAUS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT TO RESCHEDULE ELECTION OF GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS

WHEREAS, the current date for election of members of the governing board of the Stanislaus Union School District ("District") is every two (2) years on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of odd-numbered years (e.g. November 2013) (Education Code section 5000 and Elections Code section 1302 (a)); and

WHEREAS, statewide general elections are held in California only in June and November of even-numbered years (e.g., November 2014) (Elections Code section 1001); and

WHEREAS, the District is located within Stanislaus County; and

WHEREAS, generally voter turnout is greater for statewide general elections than for local elections, including school board member elections held in November of odd-numbered years; and

WHEREAS, the District is also considering changing its election method to a by-trustee area method and desires to utilize data from the 2010 Census to create trustee areas; and

WHEREAS, the District may achieve a savings in the cost of its elections, if the District's elections are consolidated with the statewide general elections and the elections are held in either two or three trustee areas at each general election; and

WHEREAS, the District does not have sufficient time to implement a by-trustee area method of election in time for a November 2013 election, and still allow for adequate public participation in the process of establishing trustee areas; and

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WHEREAS, as a result of these facts, the Board desires to change the date of future board member elections to be consolidated with the California statewide general election in order to save public funds, provide greater voter input into school board elections, and avoid any potential liability under the California Voting Rights Act (Election Code section 14025 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, Elections Code 1302(b) establishes a procedure whereby the Board may change the election date for its board members by adopting a resolution seeking approval of the change by the Board of Supervisors of the affected county (Elections Code section 10404.5); and

WHEREAS, if the change in election date is approved, it is requested that the new election date be moved from the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2013 to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2014 with board members whose terms would have expired in 2013 being extended to 2014 and board members whose terms would have expired in 2015 being extended to 2016 [refer to Appendix A].

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board hereby finds, determines and/or declares, as follows:

- 1. Each of the foregoing is true and correct.
- 2. The Governing Board declares its intent to adopt this resolution to consolidate the election date for members of the Board with the date for the California general election in November in even-numbered years (Elections Code section 1001) pursuant to Elections Code section 1302(b).
- 3. The Superintendent will forward this resolution to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors explaining the rationale for the resolution and requesting formal approval of the change by the Board of Supervisors at a public meeting held within 60 days after submission and after the resolution has been posted in accordance with law.

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4. The Superintendent will notify the Stanislaus County Elections Office that the

District is prepared to pay the expense of mailing notice of approval of the change in election

date by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors as required by Elections Code 10404.5(e).

5. If the consolidation of election is approved by the Board of Supervisors, the date

of that election will be moved to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2014 and

each subsequent board member election will be held two years thereafter in November of even

years.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was introduced at a regular meeting of the

Stanislaus Union School District Governing Board held on the 7th day of March, 2013, by

Governing Board Member _______, who made the motion being duly

seconded by Norm Lee , was, upon roll call vote, carried into Resolution

passed by the following vote:

AYES:

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS: Gilbert Jackson, Susan Elliott, Norm Lee

Nate Howard, Jeff McKay

NOES:

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS:

ABSTAIN:

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS:

ABSENT:

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS:

ATTEST:

Gilbert Jackson, President

Stanislaus Union School District

Governing Board

ATTEST.

Susan Elliott, Clerk

Stanislaus Union School District

Governing Board

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Appendix A RESOLUTION TO RESCHEDULE ELECTION OF GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS

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Board Member	Current Election Year	New Election Year
Susan Elliot	2015	2016
Nate Howard	2013	2014
Gilbert Jackson	2013	2014
Norm Lee	2013	2014
Jeff McKay	2015	2016