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To: Board of Education

From: Jennifer Brouhard

Meeting Date: March 11, 2026

Subject: CSBA Delegate Assembly Sub-Region 7-B Candidates – 2026

Legislative File: 26-0350
Introduction Date: 3/11/2026
Enactment No.:
Enactment Date:
By:

ASK OF THE BOARD

Adoption by the Board of Education of Resolution No. 2526-0199 – Directing the Secretary of the Governing Board, on behalf of the Governing Board, to cast a ballot for Sub-Region 7-B Regional CSBA Delegate Assembly candidates as listed in said Resolution which is incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

As you may know, the California School boards Association (CSBA) is a collaborative group of virtually all state school districts and county offices of education, which advocate for and promotes interest in K-12 children through variety of organized means.

The Association's governance structure, in part, provides for a Delegate Assembly, elected, in part, by member school boards divided into several regions. The open board is a member of the Association and is geographically located in subregion 7-B (Alameda County).

Presently there are four delegates to be elected to the Delegate Assembly from Seven region 7-B of the Association for a two-year term commencing April 1, 2026. The Assembly will meet at least twice a year to conduct business and may also meet with other Delegates and Direct off the Region and otherwise act in the interest of the Association.

Three school board member candidates within CSBA Subregion 7-B had qualified to CP office. Upon conferring with our Board Assembly Delegates, Rachel Latta and Patrice Berry, we recommend that the Board support the unopposed three name candidates on the ballot:

- Charlie Jones (Pleasanton USD)
- Kyla Sinegal (San Lorenzo USD)

- Christiaan VandenHeuvel (Livermore Valley Joint USD)

A fourth candidate did not qualify. However, the Secretary is instructed to write in _____
(_____ USD); as (not write in) a fourth candidate.

I believe that the recommended candidates will personally serve the interests of the Oakland Board and well represent the Subregion as a whole if elected to the Delegate Assembly.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 2026-0199 - Directing the Secretary of the Board, on behalf of the Board, to cast a ballot for Subregion 7-B Regional CSBA Delegate Assembly candidates listed in said Resolution, which is incorporated herein by reference as a though fully set forth.

JB:ER:If

Attachments: Resolution No. 2526-0199

Bio Sketches

Ballot (Copy)

CSBA Delegate Assembly List (Pending Election/Appointment Results)

**RESOLUTION OF THE
GOVERNING BOARD OF THE
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Resolution No. 2526-0199**

Determining and Instructing the Secretary of the Governing Board To Cast Ballot As Instructed for Up To Three Candidates for California School Board Association (CSBA) 2026 Delegate Assembly Sub-Region 7-B (Alameda County) and Timely Return Ballot To CSBA Postmarked or Emailed On Or Before March 15, 2026

WHEREAS, the California School Boards Association (CSBA) is a collaborative group of virtually all of the state's more than 1000 school districts and county offices of education which advocates for and promotes the interest of K-12 Children through a variety of organizational means; and

WHEREAS, the Association's governance structure, in part, provides for a Delegate Assembly, elected, in part, by member school boards divided into sub-regions; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Unified School District Governing Board is a member of the Association and is geographically located in sub-region 7-B (Alameda County); end

WHEREAS, there are four delegates to be elected to the Delegate Assembly from sub-region 7-B of the Association for a two-year term commencing April 1, 2026 and the Assembly will meet at least twice a year to conduct business, and may also meet with the other Delegates and the Director within the Region; and

WHEREAS, there are three candidates from school boards, on the current ballot for subregion 7-B, of which each member Board of the subregion may cast a ballot for up to three candidates, and return same to CSBA Headquarters postmarked or emailed not later than March 15, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Board reviewed the biographical sketch, and the resume of each candidate, if submitted, received a recommendation from its CSBA Delegate Assembly representatives and determined who may best represent the interest and expectations of the District as a sub-region CSBA Delegate Assembly representative, and believes that the three of the four votes of the Board should be cast for:

- Charlie Jones (Pleasanton USD)
- Kyla Sinegal (San Lorenzo USD)
- Christiaan VandenHeuvel (Livermore Valley Joint USD)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board hereby directs the Secretary of the Governing Board, on behalf of the Board, to cast a ballot for the CSBA subregion 7-B Delegate Assembly candidates :

- Charlie Jones (Pleasanton USD)
- Kyla Sinegal (San Lorenzo USD)
- Christiaan VandenHeuvel (Livermore Valley Joint USD); and to write in the name of _____ - Unified School District (or not to write in a name of a forth candidate); and

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Board is further directed to return said casted Ballot to CSBA postmarked or emailed not later than March 15, 2026.

Passed by the following vote:

PREFERENTIAL AYE:

PREFERENTIAL NOE:

PREFERENTIAL ABSTENTION:

PREFERENTIAL RECUSE:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAINED:

RECUSED:

ABSENT:

CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution passed at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District held on March 11, 2026.

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OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Jennifer Brouhard
President, Board of Education

Denise G. Saddler, EdD, Interim Superintendent and
Secretary of the Board of Education

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Pending)

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Respondent

103

Anonymous

27:47

Time to complete

1. I have been... *

Appointed

Nominated

2. Your signature indicates your consent to be placed on the ballot and serve as a Delegate, if elected *

Charles Jones

3. Full name *

Charles William Jones

4. Region/subregion *

1A

1B

2C

2 - County

3A

3C

3D

4A

4C

4D

4 - County

5A

5B

6A

6B

6C

6 - County

7A

7B

8A

8C

8D

8 - County

9A

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10C

- 10 - County
- 11A
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- 18 - County
- 20
- 20 - County
- 22
- 23A
- 23B
- 23C
- 24

5. Name of District or COE *

Pleasanton Unified School District

6. Years on board *

1

7. Profession

Teacher

8. Contact number *

9259634628

9. Primary email address *

charlie_jones@pleasantonusd.net

10. Are you an incumbent Delegate? *

Yes

No

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

I am interested in becoming a delegate to further support policy changes and advocate for bills that will help improve our ability to function as districts. I have been a teacher for over 9 years and have helped lobby for legislation at the state level for some amount of time.

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

In my position as a board member I have served on the budget committee, curriculum and instruction committee, and board policy committee for my district. As a teacher I have chair our Site Based Decision Making team, our district Secondary Curriculum council, served on a 7-11 committee, and have advocated for bills around education at the state level within my communities.

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

Funding to support local control and funding to do that fairly through LCFF is biggest challenge facing districts at this moment. CSBA has the ability to advocate to work on improvements to fix and address this issue through legislation.

View results

Respondent

82

Anonymous

48:57

Time to complete

1. I have been... *

Appointed

Nominated

2. Your signature indicates your consent to be placed on the ballot and serve as a Delegate, if elected *

Kyla Sinegal

3. Full name *

Kyla

4. Region/subregion *

1A

1B

2C

2 - County

3A

3C

3D

4A

4C

4D

4 - County

5A

5B

6A

6B

6C

6 - County

7A

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5. Name of District or COE *

San Lorenzo Unified School District

6. Years on board *

9

7. Profession

Human Resources Administrator

8. Contact number *

5109356373

9. Primary email address *

Kyla4slz@gmail.com

10. Are you an incumbent Delegate? *

Yes

No

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

I am interested in serving as a CSBA Delegate to advance student-centered governance and policies that close the achievement gap in alignment with CSBA's Call to Action for Governance (CTAG) and CSBA's mission. As an elected governing board member—serving as Board President in 2020, 2022, 2023, and 2025—I bring a strong understanding of effective governance.

I offer over fifteen (15) years of public education experience, including HR roles at the Alameda County Office of Education and as a current HR Consultant for San Francisco Unified School District, along with service as a former Personnel Commissioner, CSEA Chapter President, and current CABSE Board President. I would bring collaborative leadership, labor expertise, and a commitment to equity and local control.

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

During my tenure on the San Lorenzo Unified School District Board of Education, I have been actively engaged in district governance and leadership. I have served on several board and district committees, including the Student Board Member Selection Committee, Fiscal Efficiency and Revenue Enhancement Committee, Health and Wellness Council, LGBTIQ Districtwide Support Team, and the African American Family Advisory Council. I have served four terms as Board President, providing leadership focused on collaboration, fiscal responsibility, and student-centered decision-making.

My involvement with CSBA has been consistent and intentional. I attend CSBA's Annual Education Conference and pre-conference workshops each year, which have been instrumental to my growth as a school board member. I was appointed to serve on the CSBA Delegate Assembly on October 31, 2025, further strengthening my engagement in statewide governance, policy development, and advocacy on behalf of local educational agencies.

I also remain committed to continuous professional development through participation in conferences hosted by CSEA, the California School Personnel Commission, the California Association of Black Educators, the California Latino School Boards Association, and the California Association of African American Superintendents and Administrators. In addition to my governance role, I am a parent and a dedicated community member, ensuring my service remains grounded in the needs of students and families.

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

One of the greatest challenges currently facing governing boards is declining enrollment and its direct impact on long-term fiscal stability. This challenge requires boards to balance difficult budgetary decisions while remaining focused on their core purpose—ensuring every student receives a comprehensive, high-quality education that prepares them for college, career, and life.

CSBA can help address this challenge by continuing to provide high-quality governance training that strengthens board members' understanding of their roles and responsibilities, particularly in times of fiscal constraint. CSBA's workshops, tools, and resources support boards in making informed, student-centered decisions and navigating complex financial realities. In addition, CSBA's advocacy and legislative efforts are critical to ensuring California prioritizes public education and local educational agencies within the state budget. Through continued leadership development and strong statewide advocacy, CSBA plays a vital role in helping governing boards remain effective, resilient, and focused on equitable outcomes for all students.

Delegate Assembly Nomination/Appointment Biographical Sketch Form 2026 (2)

Use this required biographical sketch form for the Delegate Assembly. Forms must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. on **January 7, 2026**. We strongly advise to print the completed PDF form for your records. **It is the nominee or appointee's responsibility to confirm that CSBA has received nomination/appointment materials prior to the deadline.**

* Required

Christiaan VandenHeuvel

1. I have been... *

Appointed

Nominated

2. Your signature indicates your consent to serve as a Delegate *



3. Your signature indicates your consent to be placed on the ballot and serve as a Delegate, if elected *



4. Full name *

Christiaan VandenHeuvel

5. Region/subregion *

1A

1B

2C

2 - County

3A

3C

3D

4A

4C

4D

4 - County

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6A

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6. Name of District or COE *

7. Years on board *

1

8. Profession

Minister

9. Contact number *

(510) 305-7185

10. Primary email address *

cvandenheuveltrustee@lvjUSD.org

11. Are you an incumbent Delegate? *

Yes

No

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

I would bring pragmatism, reach-across-the-aisle style to the Assembly

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

I have not yet served in other capacities beyond being the Clerk for my Board of Education

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

Finances/Funding

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REQUIRES BOARD ACTION

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 **MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026**. 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 2026 DELEGATE ASSEMBLY BALLOT
SUBREGION 7-B
(Alameda County)

Number of seats: 4 (Vote for no more than 4 candidates)

Delegates will serve two-year terms beginning April 1, 2026 - March 31, 2028

**denotes incumbent*

Charlie Jones (Pleasanton USD)

Kyla Sinegal (San LorenzoUSD)*

Christiaan VandenHeuvel (Livermore Valley Joint USD)

Not enough nominations were received for a fourth candidate; however your board may vote to write in the name of a board member to fill this seat.

Provision for Write-in Candidate Name

School District

Signature of Superintendent or Board Clerk

Title

School District Name

Date of Board Action

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

REGION 7 – 16 Delegates (13 elected/3 appointed0)

Director: Rachel Hurd (San Ramon Valley USD)

Below is a list of all the current Delegates.

Subregion 7-A (Contra Costa)

Thuy DaoJensen (Brentwood Union SD), 2027
Katy Foreman (Lafayette SD), 2027
Yolanda Peña Mendrek (Liberty Union HSD), 2026
Marina Ramos (John Swett USD), 2026
Mary Helen Rocha (Antioch USD),2026

Subregion 7-B (Alameda)

Dolly Adams (Castro Valley USD), 2027
Dianne Jones (Fremont USD), 2027
Kelly Mokashi (Pleasanton USD), 2026
Jackie C. Perl (San Leandro USD), 2026
Sara Prada (Hayward USD), 2027
Vivek Prasad (Fremont USD)*, 2027
Kyla Sinegal (San Lorenzo USD), 2026
Nancy Thomas (Newark USD), 2026
Rachel Latta (Oakland USD)*, 2027
Patrice Berry (Oakland USD)*, 2026

Region 7 County

Sarah Butler (Contra Costa COE), 2027

Counties

Contra Costa (Subregion A)
Alameda (Subregion B)