

Delegate Assembly

Candidate Biographical Sketch Form



DUE: Wednesday, January 7, 2015

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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 please do not re-type this form. Any additional page(s) exceeding this one-page candidate form will not be accepted. It is the candidate's responsibility to confirm that all nomination materials have been received by the CSBA Leadership Services department by January 7 postmarked by the U.S.P.S. Late submissions will not be accepted. If you have any questions, please contact Charlyn Tuter in Leadership Services at ctuter@csba.org or (800) 266-3382.

Name: Kevin Martinez

CSBA Region: S/B

District or COE: San Bruno Park Elementary

Years on board: 8

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Are you a continuing Delegate? ☒ Yes ☐ No If yes, how long have you served as a Delegate? 5 years

CSBA's Delegate Assembly sets the general education policy direction for the Association. As a member of the Delegate Assembly, please describe what your top three educational priorities would be, and why they are important to the Association. Amid the monumental changes of the last two years to designating funding specifically tied to state-identified, targeted needs, providing districts control over programs and processes that address their core needs, implementing a comprehensive accountability framework—while at the same time overhauling instructional practice, school districts increasingly rely on CSBA, which must first serve as a resource to governance teams and also position itself as responsive messengers of the progress of school districts of all sizes and characteristics. CSBA must celebrate and promote innovative practices, including the conscientious integration of technology in instruction and outreach to parents and community partners. While some perceive that education has been fixed, CSBA must continue to tune its advocacy efforts as champions for funding adequacy, our very means of implementing and sustaining these newly aligned district goals.

Another responsibility of Delegates is to communicate the interests of local boards to CSBA's Board of Directors, Executive Committee and staff. Please describe your activities/involvement or interests in your local district, county and/or CSBA committees, etc.

Throughout my school board service I have been active in our San Mateo County School Boards Association, now as its Treasurer. There is inspirational and dynamic work taking place at districts and among boards throughout the county, and our county association provides a forum where fellow board members both share singular practices and perspectives as they come together as common themes emerge. I've consistently participated in Legislative Action/Board Member Action Days throughout my service. For the last two years, I've been honored to serve on CSBA's Legislative Committee, reviewing and responding to pending legislation. I appreciated the reach of that committee in helping inform CSBA's fine Government Relations staff in relaying local perspective, and most recently providing the opportunity to address LAO staff recently on the various and critical uses of district reserves. While a Delegate, I've been privileged to witness exceptional programs in our county while validating CSBA Golden Bell winning programs at Woodside High School, Oceana High School in Pacifica/JUHSD, and most recently at the Bayside STEM Academy at San Mateo-Foster City District.

Why are you interested in becoming a Delegate and what contribution do you feel you would make as a member of the Delegate Assembly?

Our work as school board members can seem as unique as this year's set of circumstances and next week's agenda, yet there is a commonality to many of the challenges and opportunities we all face and to the services each of us and our districts may need for effective and efficient service. While CSBA is served by a talented and dedicated staff and Board, it is the Delegate Assembly that is called upon to set policy direction, ensuring the vitality of the organization. I would be honored to continue to serve at the Delegate Assembly, continuing to call for responsiveness while providing an earnest accounting of our priorities and experiences.

Your signature indicates your consent to have your name placed on the ballot and to serve as a Delegate, if elected.

Signature: 

Date: 01/06/2015