



**California Special
Districts Association**

Districts Stronger Together

DATE: January 27, 2020
TO: CSDA Voting Member Presidents and General Managers
FROM: CSDA Elections and Bylaws Committee
**SUBJECT: CSDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
SEAT C**

The Elections and Bylaws Committee is looking for Independent Special District Board Members or their General Managers who are interested in leading the direction of the California Special Districts Association for the 2021 - 2023 term.

The leadership of CSDA is elected from its six geographical networks. Each of the six networks has three seats on the Board with staggered 3-year terms. Candidates must be affiliated with an independent special district that is a CSDA Regular Member in good standing and located within the geographic network that they seek to represent. (See attached CSDA Network Map)

The CSDA Board of Directors is the governing body responsible for all policy decisions related to CSDA's member services, legislative advocacy, education and resources. The Board of Directors is crucial to the operation of the Association and to the representation of the common interests of all California's special districts before the Legislature and the State Administration. Serving on the Board requires one's interest in the issues confronting special districts statewide.

Commitment and Expectations:

- Attend all Board meetings, usually 4-5 meetings annually, at the CSDA office in Sacramento.
- Participate on at least one committee, meets 3-5 times a year at the CSDA office in Sacramento.
(CSDA reimburses Directors for their related expenses for Board and committee meetings as outlined in Board policy).
- Attend, at minimum, the following CSDA annual events: Special Districts Legislative Days - held in the spring, and the CSDA Annual Conference - held in the fall.
*(CSDA does **not** reimburse expenses for the two conferences even if a Board or committee meeting is held in conjunction with the event, however does comp registration for the two events)*
- Complete all four modules of CSDA's Special District Leadership Academy within 2 years of being elected.
*(CSDA does **not** reimburse expenses for the Academy classes even if a Board or committee meeting is held in conjunction with the event).*

- Complete Annual Chief Executive Officer Evaluation.

Nomination Procedures: Any Regular Member in good standing is eligible to nominate one person, a board member or managerial employee (as defined by that district's Board of Directors), for election to the CSDA Board of Directors. **A copy of the member district's resolution or minute action and Candidate Information Sheet must accompany the nomination. The deadline for receiving nominations is March 26, 2020. Nominations and supporting documentation may be mailed, faxed, or emailed.**

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Once received, nominees will receive a candidate's letter in the mail. The letter will serve as confirmation that CSDA has received the nomination and will also include campaign guidelines.

CSDA will begin electronic voting on May 25, 2020. All votes must be received through the system no later than 5:00 p.m. July 10, 2020. The successful candidates will be notified no later than July 14, 2020. All selected Board Members will be introduced at the Annual Conference in Palm Desert, CA in August 2020.

Expiring Terms

(See enclosed map for Network breakdown)

Northern Network Seat C-Fred Ryness, Director, Burney Water District*
Sierra Network Seat C-Pete Kampa, GM, Saddle Creek Community Services District*
Bay Area Network Seat C-Stanley Caldwell, Director, Mt. View Sanitary District*
Central Network Seat C-Sandi Miller, GM, Selma Cemetery District*
Coastal Network Seat C-Vincent Ferrante, Director, Moss Landing Harbor District*
Southern Network Seat C-Arlene Schafer, Director, Costa Mesa Sanitary District*

(* = Incumbent is running for re-election)

If you have any questions, please contact Amber Phelen at amberp@csda.net.