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## Re: <u>Stanislaus County Board of Education Request to Reschedule Governing</u> <u>Board Member Elections from Odd-Numbered Years to Even-Numbered</u> <u>Years;</u> Elections Code Section 10404.5

Dear Supervisors:

Please be advised that the Stanislaus County Board of Education ("Board") at a regular meeting held Tuesday, August 8, 2017, 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 Board hereby submits a copy of the Board's resolution along with this formal request to the County Board of Supervisors to approve the change sought by the Board.

Under Elections Code section 10404.5(d)(1), the County Board of Supervisors shall approve the resolution within 60 (sixty) 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 Board 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 county school board member elections. Second, there is a potential cost savings to the Board for consolidating. Third, the Board wishes to avoid any potential liability resulting from the recently enacted California Voter Participation Rights Act as a result of maintaining elections in odd-numbered years.

Currently, there is insufficient time to change the Board's election method in advance of the November 2017 election.

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The Board 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 Board appreciates your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

ATKINSON, ANDELSON, LOYA, RUUD & ROMO

Chesley D. Quaide

CDQ/bla

Enclosure: Resolution No. 2017-26

cc: Tom Changnon, Superintendent SCOE

#### STANISLAUS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2017-26**

A Resolution by the Stanislaus County Board of Education ("Board") for consolidation of future Board member elections with the statewide general election pursuant to Elections Code section 1302(b).

### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the current date for election of governing board members of the Stanislaus County Board of Education ("Board") is every two (2) years on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of odd-numbered years (e.g., November 2017) [Ed. Code, § 5000 and Elec. Code, § 1302(a)]; and

WHEREAS, statewide elections are held in California only in June and November of even numbered years (e.g., November 2018) [Elec. Code, § 1001]; and

WHEREAS, with the passage of the California Voter Participation Rights Act [Elec. Code, § 14050, et seq.], the Legislature has indicated its interest in providing for the greatest possible voter participation in local elections, including school Board governing board member elections; and

*WHEREAS*, voter turnout is generally greater for statewide elections than for special local elections including County Board of Education elections; and

*WHEREAS*, the Board desires to change the date of future Board member elections to be consolidated with the California Statewide general election in order to provide greater voter input into Board elections; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code section 1302(b) authorizes the Board to change the election date for its Board members by adopting a resolution for consolidation of election and seeking approval of the change by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors in accordance with Elections Code section 10404.5; and

WHEREAS, if the change in election date is approved, the November 2019 Board election date will be moved to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2020, with the terms of Board members which would have expired in December 2019 being extended to December 2020 and the terms of Board members which would have expired in December 2021 being extended to December 2022 [Elec. Code, § 10404.5(g)].

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board adopts this Resolution to consolidate the election date for members of the Board with the date for the California general election held in November of even-numbered years [Elec. Code, § 1001] pursuant to Elections Code section 1302(b).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Superintendent of the Stanislaus County Office of Education, or designee, is directed to submit this Resolution to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors explaining the rationale for the Resolution and requesting formal approval of the change by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors at a public meeting within sixty (60) days after submission, and after the Resolution has been posted in public places.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that if the request for consolidation of election is approved by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors, the Board recognizes its obligation to pay the expense of mailing the notice of approval of the change in election date by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors as required by Elections Code section 10404.5(e).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that if the request for consolidation of election is approved by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors, the date of the next scheduled Board election in November 2019 shall be moved to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2020 and each subsequent Board member election shall be held two (2) years thereafter in November of even numbered years in conjunction with the statewide general election.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that if the request for consolidation of election is approved, the term of office of current Board members expiring in November 2019 shall be extended to November 2020 and the term of Board members expiring in November 2021 shall be extended to November 2022.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Stanislaus County Board of Education, this 8th day of August, 2017.

President, Stanislaus County Board of Education

Clerk of the Stanislaus County Board of Education

I, <u>Tom Changnon</u>, Clerk of the Stanislaus County Board of Education, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Board at a regular meeting of said Board held on the 8th day of August, 2017 and that it was so adopted by the following vote:

AYES: 4: Bollard, Rose, Sanders, Spina

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: 1:Vizzolini

Date: 8/9/17

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## Re: <u>Gratton Elementary School District Request to Reschedule Governing Board</u> <u>Member Elections from Odd-Numbered Years to Even-Numbered Years;</u> <u>Elections Code Section 10404.5</u>

Dear Supervisors:

Please be advised that the Gratton Elementary School District ("District") at a regular meeting held Tuesday, August 8, 2017, 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 60 (sixty) 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. Third, the District wishes to avoid any potential liability resulting from the recently enacted California Voter Participation Rights Act as a result of maintaining elections in odd-numbered years.

Currently, there is insufficient time to change the District's election method in advance of the November 2017 election.

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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.

Sincerely,

ATKINSON, ANDELSON, LOYA, RUUD & ROMO

Chesley D. Quaide

CDQ/bla

Enclosure: Resolution No. 080417

cc: Shannon Sanford, Superintendent GESD

#### GRATTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF STANISLAUS COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 080417**

A Resolution by the Governing Board of the Gratton Elementary School District ("Board") for consolidation of future governing board member elections with the statewide general election pursuant to Elections Code section 1302(b).

#### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the current date for election of governing board members of the Gratton Elementary 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 2017) [Ed. Code, § 5000 and Elec., Code § 1302(a)]; and

WHEREAS, statewide elections are held in California only in June and November of even numbered years (e.g., November 2018) [Elec. Code, § 1001]; and

**WHEREAS**, with the passage of the California Voter Participation Rights Act [Elec. Code, § 14050, et seq.], the Legislature has indicated its interest in providing for the greatest possible voter participation in local elections, including school district governing board member elections; and

*WHEREAS*, voter turnout is generally greater for statewide elections than for special local elections including school district Governing Board member elections; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to change the date of future Governing Board member elections to be consolidated with the California Statewide general election in order to provide greater voter input into Governing Board elections; and

**WHEREAS**, Elections Code section 1302(b) authorizes the District to change the election date for its Governing Board members by adopting a resolution for consolidation of election and seeking approval of the change by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors in accordance with Elections Code section 10404.5; and

WHEREAS, if the change in election date is approved, the November 2019 District election date will be moved to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2020, with the terms of Governing Board members which would have expired in December 2019 being extended to December 2020 and the terms of Governing Board members which would have expired in December 2021 being extended to December 2022 [Elec. Code, § 10404.5(g)].

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governing Board of the District adopts this Resolution to consolidate the election date for members of the Governing Board with the date for the California general election held in November of even-numbered years [Elec. Code, § 1001] pursuant to Elections Code section 1302(b).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Superintendent, or designee, is directed to submit this Resolution to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors explaining the rationale for the Resolution and requesting formal approval of the change by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors at a public meeting within sixty (60) days after submission, and after the Resolution has been posted in public places.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that if the request for consolidation of election is approved by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors, the District recognizes its obligation to pay the expense of mailing the notice of approval of the change in election date by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors as required by Elections Code section 10404.5(e).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that if the request for consolidation of election is approved by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors, the date of the next scheduled Governing Board election in November 2019 shall be moved to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2020 and each subsequent Board member election shall be held two (2) years thereafter in November of even numbered years in conjunction with the statewide general election.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that if the request for consolidation of election is approved, the term of office of current Governing Board members expiring in November 2019 shall be extended to November 2020 and the term of Governing Board members expiring in November 2021 shall be extended to November 2022.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Gratton Elementary School District of Stanislaus County, State of California, this 8th day of August, 2017.

President, Governing Board of the Gratton Elementary School District

I, <u>Kri5H Stackhouse-Toh</u> Clerk of the Governing Board of the Gratton Elementary School District, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Governing Board of said District at a meeting of said Board held on the 8th day of August, 2017 and that it was so adopted by the following vote:

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NOES:

ABSTAIN:

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ABSENT:

Date: 8-8-17

Clerk of the Governing Board of the Gratton Elementary School District

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August 9, 2017

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors Elizabeth A. King 1010 Tenth Street Suite 6700 Modesto, CA 95354

Dear Elizabeth:

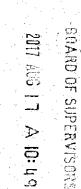
Enclosed is the Chatom Union School District Resolution #08-08-17-01 to change our regularly scheduled elections for governing board members from an odd-numbered year to an even- numbered year beginning in 2020. Please place this on your Board of Supervisors agenda for consideration and implementation.

Sincerely,

Cherise Olvera Superintendent

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT Cherise Olvera

BOARD OF TRUSTEES Anthony Avila Karen Macedo Rodney Machado Dr. Rob Santos Steve Soderstrom



## CHATOM UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT OF STANISLAUS COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

### **RESOLUTION NO. 08-08-17-01**

A Resolution by the Governing Board of the Chatom Union School District ("Board") for consolidation of future governing board member elections with the statewide general election pursuant to Elections Code section 1302(b).

### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the current date for election of governing board members of the Chatom 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 2017) [Ed. Code § 5000 and Elec. Code § 1302(a)]; and

WHEREAS, statewide elections are held in California only in June and November of even numbered years (e.g., November 2016) [Elec. Code § 1001]; and

WHEREAS, with the passage of the California Voter Participation Rights Act [Elec. Code § 14050, et seq.], the Legislature has indicated its interest in providing for the greatest possible voter participation in local elections, including school district governing board member elections; and

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

WHEREAS, the Board desires to change the date of future governing board member elections to be consolidated with the California Statewide general election in order to provide greater voter input into governing board elections; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code section 1302(b) authorizes the District to change the election date for its Governing Board members by adopting a resolution for consolidation of election and seeking approval of the change by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors in accordance with Elections Code section 10404.5; and

WHEREAS, if the change in election date is approved, the November 2019 District election date will be moved to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2020, with the terms of Governing Board members which would have expired in December 2019 being extended to December 2020 and the terms of governing board members which would have expired in December 2021 being extended to December 2022 [Elec. Code § 10404.5(g)].

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the District adopts this Resolution to consolidate the election date for members of the governing board with the date for the California general election held in November of even-numbered years [Elec. Code  $\S$  1001] pursuant to Elections Code section 1302(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent, or designee, is directed to submit this Resolution to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors explaining the rationale for the Resolution and requesting formal approval of the change by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors at a public meeting within 60 days after submission, and after the Resolution has been posted in public places.

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* that if the request for consolidation of election is approved by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors, the District recognizes its obligation to pay the expense of mailing the notice of approval of the change in election date by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors as required by Elections Code section 10404.5(e).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the request for consolidation of election is approved by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors, the date of the next scheduled Governing Board election in November 2019 shall be moved to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2020 and each subsequent Board member election shall be held two years thereafter in November of even numbered years in conjunction with the statewide general election.

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* that if the request for consolidation of election is approved, the term of office of current governing board members expiring in November 2019 shall be extended to November 2020 and the term of Governing Board members expiring in November 2021 shall be extended to November 2022.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Chatom Union School District of Stanislaus County, State of California, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of August 2017.

President, Governing Board of the

Chatom Union School District

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, Clerk of the Governing Board of the Chatom Union School District, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Governing Board of said District at a meeting of said Board held on the  $s^{+}_{-}$  day of <u>August</u>, 2017 and that it was so adopted by the following vote:

	AYES:	4
	NOES:	Ø
	ABSTAIN:	ø
	ABSENT:	1
Date:	08-08-17	Clerk of the Governing Board of the

Chatom Union School District

# APPENDIX A Election of Governing Board Members

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<u>Trustee Area</u>	Current Board Member	Current Election Year Cycle	Proposed Election Year
1	Rob Santos	2017	2022
2	Rodney Machado	2017	2022
3	Steve Soderstrom	2019	2020
4	Karen Macedo Karen Macedo was appointed to fill the vacancy of Dan Costa (2015-2019). Appointment is to the next election	2017	2020
5	Anthony Avila	2017	2022