



**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  
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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.**

Mail: 1112 I Street, Suite 200, Sacramento, CA 95814

Fax: 916.442.7889

E-mail: [amberp@csda.net](mailto:amberp@csda.net)

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](mailto:amberp@csda.net).

**AGAIN, THIS YEAR!**

**This year we will be using a web-based online voting system, allowing your district to cast your vote easily and securely.** *Electronic Ballots will be emailed to the main contact in your district May 25, 2020. All votes must be received through the system no later than 5:00 p.m. July 10, 2020.*

*Districts can opt to cast a paper ballot instead; but you must contact Amber Phelen by e-mail [Amberp@csda.net](mailto:Amberp@csda.net) by **March 26, 2020** in order to ensure that you will receive a paper ballot on time.*

CSDA will mail paper ballots on May 25, 2020 per district request only. ALL ballots must be received by CSDA no later than 5:00 p.m. July 10, 2020.

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## 2021-2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATION FORM

Name of Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Network: \_\_\_\_\_ (see map)

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

(PLEASE BE SURE THE PHONE NUMBER IS ONE WHERE WE CAN REACH THE CANDIDATE DIRECTLY)

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Return this form and a Board resolution/minute action supporting the candidate and Candidate Information Sheet by mail, or email to:

CSDA  
Attn: Amber Phelen  
1112 I Street, Suite 200  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
(877) 924-2732 (916) 442-7889 fax  
amberp@cda.net

***DEADLINE FOR RECEIVING NOMINATIONS – March 26, 2020***





## 2021-2023 CSDA BOARD CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET

The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

District/Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Elected/Appointed/Staff: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of Service with District: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

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2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

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3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):

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4. List civic organization involvement:

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**\*\*Candidate Statement** – Although it is not required, each candidate is requested to submit a candidate statement of no more than 300 words in length. **Any statements received in the CSDA office after March 26, 2020 will not be included with the ballot.**







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**DISTRICT NETWORKS**



