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Fresno County Elections

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE MONSON-SULTANA JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
TULARE COUNTY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

RESOLUTION No. 06-17-03

WHEREAS, the directors/trustees of the MONSON-SULTANA JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT ("Governing Board") currently are elected at-large in November of odd-numbered years; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code § 10404.5 provides that a school district may, by resolution, require that its election of governing body members be held on the same day as the Statewide General Election; and,

WHEREAS, said Governing Board has determined that the consolidation with the Statewide General Election held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each even numbered year would result in a significant cost savings to the District and is expected to increase voter participation; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Board submitted a resolution to the Tulare County Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code § 10404.5 on March 7, 2017 and on March 28, 2017 the Tulare County Board of Supervisors approved the consolidation with the Statewide General Election moving elections in MONSON-SULTANA JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT ("District") director/trustee districts in Tulare County to even year elections; and,

WHEREAS, said Governing Board requests the Board of Supervisors of Fresno County consent to and order the consolidation of the election of director/trustee for Trustee Area/District 1 with the Statewide General Election held in even-numbered years; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Board requests the Board of Supervisors of Fresno County to provide notice of the receipt of the resolution to consolidate the District's election of the director/trustee from Area/District 1 to all school districts located in the County and the Fresno County Board of Education requesting input from each on the effect of consolidation pursuant to Elections Code § 10404.5(c)

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MONSON-SULTANA JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT HEREBY FINDS AND RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Governing Board finds that changing from odd to even year elections will reduce election costs, increase voter participation, and is in the best interest of the District;

2. The Governing Board requests the Fresno County Board of Supervisors to approve changing from odd to even year elections, establishing the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each even-numbered year as the District's regular election cycle;
3. The Governing Board requests the Fresno County Board of Supervisors to take all legally required steps to move the November 2019 election for the Trustee from Area/District 1 to the Statewide Election date in November 2020 with all subsequent elections consolidated with the Statewide General Election held in even-numbered years;
4. The Governing Board authorizes the payment of all necessary fees and costs for the County to move said election to even-numbered years and consolidate with Statewide General Election(s), and to notify the electorate of the change in election dates;
5. If approved by the Fresno County Board of Supervisors, the Governing Board acknowledges that, by operation of law, the term of the existing member of the Board of Trustees from Area/District 1 shall be extended by one year to the Statewide Election date in November 2020 (see Exhibit A);
6. The District's superintendent and/or designee is authorized to take such actions and execute such agreements and documentation as are necessary to effect the intent of this Resolution.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was adopted upon motion by Trustee Belknap seconded by Trustee Simmons, at a regular/special meeting held on June 6, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES: 4

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 1

I, Chris Meyer, secretary of the governing board of the Monson-Sultana Joint Union Elementary School District, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed and adopted by said Board, at an official and public meeting thereof, this 6th day of June, 2017.

Date: June 6, 2017



Secretary, Board of Trustees

EXHIBIT A

Board Member	Trustee Area	Current Election Year	New Election Year
Robert Cepeda	1	2019	2020

Exhibit B

Dates and Procedures for the Election of Board members

(All section references are to the Elections Code.)

1. No later than 125 days before the date of the general election, the District secretary shall deliver a notice of election to the County elections office listing the elective offices to be filled, specifying which offices, if any, are for the balance of an unexpired term and whether the District or the candidate is to pay for the publication of a statement of qualifications under section 13307. A map of the District must accompany the notice. (§§ 10509, 10522.)
2. Between the 120th and 90th day before the date of the general election, the County elections official will publish, one time, a notice of election in a newspaper of general circulation containing the date of the election, the offices to be filled, qualifications for candidacy required by the principal act, where nomination papers are available, the deadline for filing declarations for candidacy, and a notice that appointment will be made in lieu of election in accordance with law. (§12112.)
3. Between the 113th and 88th day before the date of the general election, candidates for the District's Board may obtain and file their declarations of candidacy along with their candidate's statement of qualifications if they choose to submit one.(§§ 10510, 10511, 13307, 13311.)
4. If an incumbent member of the Board does not file a declaration of candidacy by 5:00 p.m. on the 88th day before the date of the general election, any person other than the incumbent may file a declaration of candidacy by 5:00 p.m. on the 83rd day before the date of the general election. (§§ 10407, sub. (b), 10516, sub. (b).)
5. If, by 5:00 p.m. on the 83rd day before the date of the general election: (1) only one person has filed a declaration of candidacy for any position to be filled on the Board; or (2) no one has filed a declaration of candidacy for such office; the County Board of Supervisors may appoint a person to the position. (§ 10515.)
6. On the 82nd day before the date of the general election, the Secretary of State shall conduct the randomized alphabet at 11:00 a.m. to determine the order in which the Board candidates will appear on the general election ballot. (§ 13112.)
7. Between the 57th and 14th day before the date of the general election, write in candidates must file their statement of write-in candidacy and nomination Papers with the County elections official. (§ 8601.)
8. Between the 2nd and 30th day after the date of the general election, the official canvass of the returns is to be completed. (§§ 10547- 10549, 15300 etseq.)

If there is any future amendment of the Elections Code provisions identified above, the amended provisions are applicable. Where the dates described above are inconsistent with those provided in the Elections Code for the statewide general elections, the dates for statewide general elections are controlling.