

SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item # ___10.4___

Meeting Date:

December 20, 2012

<u>Subject</u>: Appointment of Provisional Board Member for Trustee Area 1 and Administration of Oath of Office

Information Item Only Approval on Consent Agenda Conference (for discussion only) Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: _____) Conference/Action Action Public Hearing

Division: Board of Education

<u>Recommendation</u>: Decide on a provisional appointment for Trustee Area 1 and administer the oath of office.

Background/Rationale: At the Special Board meeting on December 7, 2012, the Board (member Ellyn Bell absent) interviewed six applicants for the provisional appointment. Member Bell submitted her letter of deferred resignation on or about October 25, 2012 which takes effect on December 23, 2012. Pursuant to Education Code 5091, if an appointment is made, the statutory timeline requires action at the Board meeting on December 20. If no appointment is made, the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools (SCOE) must order an election at the District's cost. Assuming a Board appointment, registered voters may sign a petition calling for an election and submit to SCOE within 30 days of the appointment. SCOE has 30 days to determine the legal sufficiency of the petition. If the petition is determined to be legally sufficient, the Board's appointment is terminated and the seat is vacated. SCOE is then required to order a special election at the District's cost. The County Elections Department estimates a cost to the District ranging between \$136,830 and \$273,660 whether the election is conducted by mailed ballot or non-mailed ballot.

On December 7, the Board left open the possibility of posing further questions or obtaining further information from the applicant pool before deciding on a provisional appointment.

Financial Considerations: An election will cost between \$136,830 and \$273,660.

Documents Attached: None.

Estimated Time of Presentation: See agenda Submitted by: General Counsel