



SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 4.0

Meeting Date: December 7, 2012

Subject: Interview of Applicants for Board Member Appointment (Trustee Area 1)

- ☒ 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

Recommendation: Conduct interviews of applicants for Board member appointment.

Background/Rationale:

1. Interview Process (4.0). Per the direction of the Board, the six applicants will be interviewed in the order determined by lot (the eighth applicant, Harold Stewart-Carballo, has withdrawn from consideration and Samara D. Palko did not meet the application criteria). Each applicant will have 3 minutes to make an opening statement. Each Board member (assuming all seven are present) will have 3 minutes apiece for questions and answers for a total of 21 minutes. The applicant will then have a 2 minute closing statement. Assuming strict adherence to the timeline, the minimum time allotted will be 26 minutes x six interviews or 156 minutes (2 hours and 36 minutes) rounded to 2 hours and 40 minutes.

2. Next Steps for Appointment Process (5.0). Agenda Item 5.0 is intended to reserve time, which may not be needed, in order to allow the Board, if it desires, to discuss next steps other than discussing and making a decision to appoint a Board member for Trustee Area 1 at the December 20 Board meeting.

3. Public Comment Requirement at Special Board Meetings. Unlike regular meetings, public comment is limited at special Board meetings to the specific items listed on the agenda. Pursuant to Government Code section 54954.3 of the Brown Act:

“Every notice for a special meeting shall provide an opportunity for members of the public to directly address the legislative body concerning any item that has been described in the notice for the meeting before or during consideration of that item.” (Emphasis added.)

Accordingly, notwithstanding the placement of public comment under Agenda Item 3.0, the Board retains the flexibility to take public comment either before or during consideration of Item 4.0 and, if needed, Item 5.0.

Financial Considerations: N/A

Documents Attached: None.

Estimated Time of Presentation: 2 hours 40 minutes

Submitted by: Chief of Staff and General Counsel
