

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Requested Board Meeting Date: September 6, 2016

Title: Cancellation of School District and Pima County Community College District Governing Board Elections

# Introduction/Background:

The Pima County Superintendent of Schools is requesting that the Pima County Board of Supervisors cancel the attached uncontested elections for various school district governing boards, in Districts 2 and 4 on the Governing Board of Pima County Community College District.

# **Discussion:**

The Superintendent of Schools has determined that these school district and community college governing board candidates have met the statutory nomination requirements for each board candidacy. Pursuant to A.R.S. §15-424(D) and §15-1442(C) these uncontested governing board elections maybe cancelled by the Board of Supervisors and the individuals who filed the required nomination petitions or write-in nomination paper to fill the position will be appointed and fully vested with the powers and duties of the office as if elected.

For Baboquivari Unified School District and San Fernando Elementary School District, where individuals did not file for one of the open seats, the seats will be declared vacant upon cancellation by the Board of Supervisors and these seats shall be filled by the Superintendent of Schools as provided in A.R.S. §15-302.

In the case of the Pima County Joint Technical Education District (JTED) - Member District 4, the cancellation of the election for this seat will be effective upon the cancellation of the same election by the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors. JTED Member District 4 includes the Santa Cruz Valley Unified School District No. 35 of Santa Cruz County, which requires cancellation by the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors. For JTED Member District 1, the cancellation of the election for this seat will be effective upon the cancellation of the same election by the Pinal County Board of Supervisors. JTED Member District 1 includes the Mammoth-San Manuel Unified School District No. 8 of Pinal County, which requires cancellation by the Pinal County by the Pinal County, which requires cancellation by the Pinal County and of Pinal County, which requires cancellation by the Pinal County Board of Supervisors.

In the case of Pima County Community College District 2, to appoint Demion Clinco, the appointment of Mr. Clinco and the cancellation of the election for this seat will be contingent upon the outcome of *Hormel v. Diaz (Case #C20163929)* in Pima County Superior Court. If the Superior Court rules in favor of Mr. Hormel or Mr. Diaz withdraws as a candidate, then the election will be uncontested and Mr. Clinco will be the only candidate meeting the statutory filing requirements in order to be appointed to the seat pursuant to State law.

Approval of cancellation of these elections will also provide a cost savings for the eligible school districts and Pima Community College. A complete listing of school districts, number of available governing board seats open for election, and the names of those candidates who met the nomination requirements is attached. The school districts with uncontested governing board election will save approximately \$351,000. Pima Community College will save approximately \$183,000.

#### **Conclusion:**

The Pima County Superintendent of Schools recommends approval for cancellation of these uncontested school district and Pima Community College governing board elections.

#### **Recommendation:**

Approval of the Superintendent of Schools' recommendation for cancellation of the uncontested school district governing elections, the election in District 4 of the Pima County Community College District Governing Board, appointment of the qualified candidates in the attached listing, and for cancellation of the election in District 2 of the Pima County Community College District Governing Board and appointing Demion Clinco contingent upon a decision in favor of Mr. Hormel in *Hormel v. Diaz (Case #C20163929)* in Pima County Superior Court or if Mr. Diaz withdraws as a candidate.

# **Fiscal Impact:**

None to Pima County. A savings of approximately \$534,000 for the school districts and Pima Community College.

#### **Board of Supervisor District:**

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## PIMA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND PIMA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD ELECTION CANCELLATIONS

# NOVEMBER 8, 2016 GENERAL ELECTION

The following Pima County school districts and Pima County Community College districts will all have uncontested governing board positions for the General Election on November 8, 2016. The Pima County Superintendent of Schools has determined that all the candidates listed below meet the nomination requirements to seek a position on a school district or Pima County Community College governing board. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. §15-424(D) and §15-1442(C), the Superintendent of Schools requests that the Pima County Board of Supervisors cancel these uncontested governing board elections at their meeting on September 6, 2016. The school district governing board candidates shall be appointed to a four (4) year term through December 31, 2020, unless otherwise indicated on the listing below. The Pima County Community College governing board candidates shall be appointed to a six (6) year term through December 31, 2022.

# Ajo Unified School District No. 15 (2 Positions)

Rose Frances Cameron Laura Trujillo

#### Altar Valley Elementary School District No. 51 (4 Positions)

Robert K. Ethridge Sharon I. Nicholas Shanee M. Page (Term Ending 12/31/2018) W. John Williams

# Baboquivari Unified School District No. 40 (3 Positions)

Ella Mae Greasewood TWO (2) VACANCIES

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# Catalina Foothills Unified School District No. 16 (3 Positions)

Robert Douglas Hadley Eileen Jackson Carole Siegler (Term Ending 12/31/2018)

# Continental Elementary School District No. 39 (3 Positions)

Ruth Bennett Andrew McGibbon Sergio Arellano

# Empire Elementary School District No. 37 (3 Positions)

Samuel Donaldson (Term Ending 12/31/2018) H. Wayne Pruett Denise Purvis (Term Ending 12/31/2018)

# Flowing Wells Unified School District No. 8 (3 Positions)

Wendy Effing Thomas S. Jacobs James A. Love

# Marana Unified School District No. 6 (3 Positions)

Suzanne Hopkins Maribel Lopez Daniel Post

# Pima County Joint Technical Education District No. 11 (3 Districts)

Brenda Marietti (JTED Member District 1) – *Write-In Candidate* Wayne Peate (JTED Member District 4) Robert Schlanger (JTED Member District 5)

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## Redington Elementary School District No. 44 (2 Positions)

Mary Smallhouse Jack Kelly

#### San Fernando Elementary School District No. 35 (2 Positions)

Veronica Jacquez – Write-In Candidate ONE (1) VACANCY

# Sunnyside Unified School District No. 12 (3 Positions)

Buchannon "Buck" Crouch Roberto Jaramillo Rebecca "Becki" Quintero

# Pima County Community College District (2 Districts)

Demion Clinco (PCC District 2) Meredith Hay (PCC District 4)

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