July 16, 2014

TO: Santa Clara County Board of Education

FROM: Mary Ann Dewan, Ph.D., Interim County Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Resolution Pertaining to Consolidation of Elections for Santa Cruz County

Associated Goals

GOAL 4: Improve Organizational effectiveness and efficiency

Background

Whenever a school district election is scheduled to be held on the same day and in the same territory (or in territory that is part of the same) as elections of other political subdivisions, the district election may be either completely or partially consolidated with other elections.

A portion of Trustee Area 2 falls within the boundaries of Santa Cruz County. The attached resolution requests the Board of Supervisors of Santa Cruz County to completely consolidate the November 4, 2014 County Board of Education election with other elections.

Fiscal Implications

The election costs for the County Board of Education consolidated election is nominal. If the County Board of Education election is not consolidated with other elections, a special election will have to be conducted for the County Board of Education. Special election costs charged to the County Office of Education would be considerably higher than consolidated election costs.

In addition to fiscal implications, if the resolution is not passed then there will be no election called for the portion of Trustee Area 2 that falls within Santa Cruz County.

Requested Action

Adoption of resolution pertaining to Consolidation of Elections for Santa Cruz County
RESOLUTION NO.________________

RESOLUTION ORDERING ELECTION, REQUESTING COUNTY ELECTIONS TO CONDUCT THE ELECTION, REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION OF THE ELECTION, AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER

SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code Section 5322, whenever a school district election is ordered, the governing board of the district or the board or officer authorized to make such designations shall, concurrently with or after the order of election, but not less than 123 days prior to the date set for the election in the case of an election for governing board members, or at least 88 days prior to the date of the election in the case of an election on a measure, including a bond measure, by resolution delivered to the county superintendent of schools and the officer conducting the election specify the date of the election and the purpose of the election;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10002, the governing body of any city or district may by resolution request the Board of Supervisors of the county to permit the county elections official to render specified services to the city or district relating to the conduct of an election;

WHEREAS, the resolution of the governing body of the city or district shall specify the services requested; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10400, whenever two or more elections, including bond elections, of any legislative or congressional district, public district, city, county, or other political subdivision are called to be held on the same day, in the same territory, or in territory that is in part the same, they may be consolidated upon the order of the governing body or bodies or officer or officers calling the elections; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10403, whenever an election called by a district, city or other political subdivision for the submission of any question, proposition, or office to be filled is to be consolidated with a statewide election, and the question, proposition, or office to be filled is to appear upon the same ballot as that provided for that statewide election, the district, city or other political subdivision shall, at least 88 days prior to the date of the election, file with the board of supervisors, and a copy with the elections official, a resolution of its governing board requesting the consolidation, and setting forth the exact form of any question, proposition, or office to be voted upon at the election, as it is to appear on the ballot. Upon such request, the Board of Supervisors may order the consolidation; and

WHEREAS, the resolution requesting the consolidation shall be adopted and filed at the same time as the adoption of the ordinance, resolution, or order calling the election; and
WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code Section 5342 and Elections Code Section 10400, such election for school districts may be either completely or partially consolidated;

WHEREAS, various district, county, and statewide and other political subdivision elections have been or may be called to be held on November 4, 2014;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED THAT the Governing Board of the Santa Clara County Office of Education hereby orders an election to be called and consolidated with any and all elections also called to be held on November 4, 2014 insofar as said elections are to be held in the same territory or in territory that is in part the same as the territory of the School District request to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz to order such consolidation under Elections Code Section 10400; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that said School Board hereby requests the Board of Supervisors to permit the Santa Cruz County Elections Department to provide any and all services necessary for conducting the election; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that pursuant to Education Code Section 5322, the authority for the specifications of the election order, the Governing Board of the Santa Clara County Office of Education hereby orders an election to be held with the following specifications:

The election shall be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Santa Cruz County Elections Department conduct the election for the following OFFICE on the November 4, 2014 ballot:

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No election will be held if there are an insufficient number of nominees.

The qualifications of a nominee of an elective officer of said office are:

Any person, regardless of gender or ethnicity, who is 18 years of age or older, a registered voter, a resident within the trustee area of which he/she intends to run. Candidates cannot be employed by the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) or any school district in the county while serving on the Board.

The Candidate’s Statement of Qualifications shall be limited to 200 words and will be paid for by the candidate.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Santa Cruz County Elections Department is ordered that in the event of a tie vote, the candidate will be selected by lot (Ed. Code 5016(b)).

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of July, 2014, by the Santa Clara County Board of Education, County of Santa Clara, State of California.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:  
Mary Ann Dewan, Ph.D.  
Ex-Officio Secretary  
Interim County Superintendent of Schools
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<th>Incumbents Name</th>
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<td>Michael Chang</td>
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