



California Special Districts Association
Districts Stronger Together

2021-2023 CSDA BOARD CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET

The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: Dr. Robert Blair

District/Company: Nipomo Community Services District

Title: Board Member

Elected/Appointed/Staff: Elected

Length of Service with District: 26 Yrs. (1994-2004, 2012-Present)

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

Attend CSDA Conferences and Legislation Days Regularly

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

Served as CSDA Board Member from 2002 to 2004, Served on CA Sheriff Advisory Council in San Luis Obispo County

3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):

Member of the SLO County Sheriff Association, and served on the Sheriff's Advisory Council in San Luis Obispo County

4. List civic organization involvement:

Nipomo Chamber of Commerce

****Candidate Statement** – Although it is not required, each candidate is requested to submit a candidate statement of no more than 300 words in length. **Any statements received in the CSDA office after March 26, 2020 will not be included with the ballot.**



Hello!

My Name is Dr. Robert L. "Bob" Blair,

I am one of the candidates running for Seat B in the Coastal Network of the California Special Districts Association.

Why should you elect me over the other aspiring CSDA Candidates?

1. I have prior experience. I served on the CSDA Board as a representative of Region 4 from 2002 to 2004. During that time, I served on the committee that returned the ERAF money to the Cities, Counties, & Special Districts.
2. I hold a Doctor of Pharmacy Degree from the University of California Medical Center in San Francisco (UCSF) and an AA degree from San Francisco City College. I also hold two valid Pharmacy licenses (California & Nevada).
3. I have been married to my wife Eileen for over 60 years. Together we have raised three very successful adult children: Lisa, Lodene & James.
4. I served on the NCSD Board of Directors from 1994 to 2004. In 2012, I ran a successful campaign, was the top vote getter by a large margin, and returned to the NCSD for 4 more years.
5. I have a strong longtime personal relationship with our current 35th District Assemblyman Jordan Cunningham. I ran for local office in San Luis Obispo County in 1994.
6. I never missed a meeting when I represented CSDA Region 4 in 2002-2004. I will give you 100% of my time, if you give me your Vote in this coming election.
7. I have been involved in Water, Land use, and planning at the State & Local levels for some 35 years. Please let me put my many talents and experience to work for all the people of Coastal Network.

Please vote to put "Dr. Bob back on the job". Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Robert L. "Bob" Blair
Director Nipomo Community Service District

Active member of:

San Luis Obispo Sheriff Advisory Council
Nipomo Chamber of Commerce
CA Sheriffs Association



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The following information MUST accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: VINCENT FEIZICANTE

District/Company: MOSS LANDING HARBOR DISTRICT

Title: COMMISSIONER

Elected/Appointed/Staff: ELECTED

Length of Service with District: SINCE 2003

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

I currently serve as CSDA Board member, served as the 2017 CSDA President served on all committees, gone through the Governance Academy, attended all conferences.

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

No.

3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):

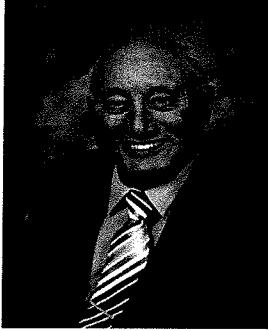
Represent Moss Landing Harbor District at the Monterey County Special Districts Association - Chapter

4. List civic organization involvement:

Vice President S/K Sister-City Association Japanese, Festa Italia - Monterey, American Legion Post 31 Salinas, Native Sons of The Golden West, P.F.A.C. Salinas Valley Hospital

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**Candidate Statement
Coastal Network 5, Seat C
Vincent Ferrante-Incumbent**



Currently, I serve as a director on the CSDA Board. I am pursuing the Coastal Network 5-C seat. I currently serve as a Commissioner on the Moss Landing Harbor District in Monterey County, originally elected in 2003.

In 2011, I was elected to the California Special District Association (CSDA). During my time with CSDA Board of Directors, I have had the opportunity to serve on all the CSDA standing committees. In 2014, I was elected to the CSDA Executive Board, first as Secretary for 2 years, Vice-President, and in 2017 I was elected as the CSDA President. During my year as CSDA President, I tried to visit many Special Districts Chapter Meetings. My goal was, and still is, to spread the word about CSDA and explain what CSDA can do for the independent Special Districts. I am very passionate about what CSDA does throughout the state. The committees on which I have served in the past include Chairman or Vice-Chairman.

Presently I serve on the Legislative Committee as Vice-Chairman, Vice-Chairman on the Financial Corporation Committee, and the Fiscal Committee. My vision is to continue to spread the word about what CSDA is all about.

With the current Covid-19 situation it is not possible to travel in person to speak to the Chapters or the District Board Meetings. So, at this time I am asking for your District vote at your Board Meeting for the opportunity to serve you for another term on the CSDA Board of Directors for the position of Director Coastal Network 5, Seat C.

Sincerely;

Vincent C. Ferrante

CSDA Director

**Candidate Statement
Region 5, Seat C
Vincent Ferrante-Incumbent**

I currently serve on the CSDA Board of Directors and am the Vice- Chairperson of the Legislative Committee. I also serve on the Fiscal Committee. In 2013 I was appointed to the Regionalization Task Force Committee, along with five other board members and the Executive Staff, to explore ways to better serve the six CSDA regions. Our goal was to improve and find better methods to serve all Special Districts in each region and increase membership. Initializing ideas developed by the Board members and staff, we have provided more efficient and targeted service for all chapters and districts. I believe this is very important in order to make CSDA more successful. Each Network/Region now has a field representative. Today CSDA, along with the Special Districts, are faced with many important issues which we will be able to address with more timely and appropriate solutions. Previously, I have served as Chairman of the Educational Development Committee and Alliance/Executive Committee. In the past I have also served on the following committees: Audit/Bylaws, Fiscal, Membership, Educational Development, Legislative, AEC and Financial Corporation. I have worked with the Advocacy Staff on the Legislative Committee to provide good interaction with our State Representatives to respond appropriately to the variety of bills which impact Special Districts. I will continue to be a liaison between CSDA, Special Districts and the Chapters in Region 5.

In 2014-2015 I was elected CSDA Secretary. In 2016 I was elected Vice-President by the CSDA Board. In 2017 I was elected by the CSDA Board as CSDA President. I currently also serve as the CSDA Board Member National Liaison for CSDA.

I am well qualified for this position, having served as an elected official for Moss Landing Harbor District Board of Harbor Commissioners since 2003 and completed the CSDA Governance Academy. Between the Academy and my experience on the Moss Landing Harbor Commission, I bring experience and strong work ethic to the Board. I believe my dedication to Special Districts makes me an excellent choice to represent local government agencies' interests and needs at CSDA.

Sincerely;

Vincent C. Ferrante

Commissioner, MLHD

Civic Organizations:

Past Grand Deputy, Sons and Daughters of Italy, in America

Past member Sons and Daughters of Italy, in America

Member Native Sons of the Golden West

Member American Legion Post 31, Salinas

Grand Marshal 2019 Festa Italia, Monterey

Vice-President Ichiki-Kushikino-Salinas Japanese Sister City Organization

Board member for Patient/Family Advisory Council, Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital

I have attended all Legislative Days since being elected to the CSDA Board and all State Conferences