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BOARD AGENDA ITEM

ITEM NO: 5.2

BOARD MEETING DATE: Monday, November 22, 2021

NEW BUSINESS AGENDA ITEM: Approval of Proposed Changes to ASBA Bylaws

SUBMITTED BY: Mary Kamerzell, Superintendent

PRESENTED BY: Amy Krauss, Governing Board President

The Board will discuss, consider and give direction on voting on a bylaw change proposal from the Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA). This bylaw proposal by the ASBA Board of Directors must be approved by two-thirds of the ASBA member boards to be effective. The following is the bylaws proposal to be considered and acted upon:

Proposal A With unanimous approval of the ASBA Hispanic Native America Indian Caucus and ASBA Board of Directors, this change is being sought by the Hispanic-Native American Indian Caucus (HNAIC). It would create a seat on the ASBA Board of Directors so that Hispanic and Native American interests can be represented simultaneously on the board. Currently, there is one seat on the ASBA Board of Directors designated for a representative of the HNAIC and it alternates every two years between Hispanic representation and Native American representation, creating gaps in representation. By contrast, the Black Alliance has a seat on the ASBA Board of Directors, ensuring representation on the board at all times. This proposed bylaw change also provides the flexibility for the HNAIC to split into two distinct groups if its members so

choose and allows those groups to change their names and be recognized under the new names.

Background: Currently, there is only one seat designated for the combined Hispanic Native American Indian Caucus.

Voting by member school districts will be done online before 5:00 p.m. on December 13, 2021. The CFSD Governing Board also needs to designate a person to complete the online voting. The designee may be a board member, board secretary, or the superintendent.

Recommended Motion: I move that the governing board approve the bylaw change proposal, as presented.

Recommended Motion: I move that the governing board approve Margie Jones, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent and Governing Board, as its designee to cast the governing board's vote online regarding the ASBA bylaw, as presented.