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Dr. Keith Curry, President/CEO
Compton College
1111. E. Artesia Boulevard
Compton, CA 90221
Via email: kcurry@compton.edu

Re: Board Vacancy

Dear Dr. Curry:

On January 13, 2026, our office received notification of a vacancy in Trustee Area 2 (TA-1) on the Compton College governing board resulting from the resignation of Ms. Barbara Calhoun, effective February 1, 2026. Under Education Code (EC) §5090 and Government Code §1770, February 1, 2026 is the effective date of the vacancy.

Provisional Appointment

In accordance with EC §5091(a), the Compton College governing board has **60 days** from the date of the vacancy by which to make a provisional appointment to fill Ms. Calhoun's TA-2 seat, with the appointee serving until the November 2026 regular election. At that time, a special election will be held to fill the remaining two years of Ms. Calhoun's term.

If the governing board chooses to make an appointment, the deadline is **March 14, 2026**. Please ensure that the provisions of EC §5092 are adhered to regarding posting and publication requirements. A provisional appointment confers all powers and duties of a governing board member upon the appointee **immediately** following his/her appointment.

Enclosed are an Oath of Office, Board Roster, and a Certification of Signatures form for a new governing board member. Please return the completed forms to:

Los Angeles County Office of Education
Business Advisory Services
Attention: Victoria Bernstein (bernstein_victoria@laoe.edu)
9300 Imperial Highway
Downey, CA 90242-2890

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Special Election

If the governing board chooses not to make an appointment, a special election will be called to fill the seat until November of 2028. If a special election is called, its date and whether or not it can be consolidated with the next regularly scheduled election would be determined based on when the board notifies this office of its intent to call an election. Anyone elected would serve until November 2028, when a new four-year term will be filled at the district's regularly scheduled election.

For your information, I have included a link below to a LACOE bulletin on best practices for filling a vacancy.

<https://www.lacoe.edu/content/dam/lacoeedu/bulletin/6860.pdf>

If you have any questions, please call Dr. Allison Deegan at (562) 922-6336.

Sincerely,



Octavio Castelo (Jan 21, 2026 15:50:57 PST)

Octavio Castelo, Director
Business Advisory Services

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