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Perez, Sandoval, Serna Win Seats on Fontana Unified Board of Education

FONTANA, CA – Fontana Unified School District voters on Nov. 6 re-elected Mary Sandoval and Marcelino "Mars" Serna and elected Adam Perez to the Board of Education, according to preliminary results released by the San Bernardino County Elections Office.

"We appreciate the passion and advocacy for Fontana Unified students displayed by all of the candidates," Fontana Unified Superintendent Randal S. Bassett said. "Together, we will continue to make strides toward ensuring every Fontana Unified student is prepared for lifelong success."

Sandoval, who has been a resident of Fontana for more than 53 years, was first elected to the Board of Education in 2014. As a board member, Sandoval has advocated for streamlining the process to provide services to special needs students and ensuring Fontana Unified students and staff receive the tools and support necessary for success.

Serna serves as a program specialist for the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools and as an adjunct professor at San Bernardino Valley College. Serna won his seat in a special election in 2017 and will serve his first full four-year term on the Board of Education.

Serna advocates for creating future-ready schools that provide engaging and challenging instruction, creating safe and affirming learning environments, and financial transparency.

Perez, an Army veteran and Desert Hot Springs police officer, supports expansion of both college-prep programs and career tech pathways in Fontana Unified schools.

Perez, Sandoval and Serna join Board of Education President Peter Garcia, and member Jason O'Brien, both elected in 2016. Perez will be sworn in at the Dec. 12 Board of Education meeting.

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OUR MISSION: The mission of the Fontana Unified School District is to graduate all students prepared to succeed in a changing world. Fontana Unified School District celebrates learning through the development of the whole child. Our commitment to excellence provides quality education, in depth, for all students.