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Covina-Valley Unified School District Board of Education Reorganizes, Welcomes New Board Members

COVINA, CA – Covina-Valley Unified School District welcomed new Board of Education member Simon Wright and returning member Rachael Robles during the Board’s reorganization meeting on Dec. 12.

Mr. Wright and Mrs. Robles took the Oath of Office during a ceremony prior to the meeting, affirming that they will fulfill the duties of a Board of Education member and uphold the values of the District throughout the next four years.

Mr. Wright, a South Hills High School alumnus and former captain of the wrestling team, owns a real estate property management company in West Covina. He has three children currently attending District schools and said that helps him to understand the importance of ensuring students receive the tools and skills necessary to prepare them for life.

Mr. Wright plans to use this perspective as a parent to shape his work on the Board, in particular in advocating for programs to mitigate learning loss that resulted from the COVID-19 pandemic. Mr. Wright also looks forward to promoting strong communication between the District and the community.

“I want to help establish a vision for Covina-Valley and effectively and clearly convey that story to all members of our community,” Mr. Wright said. “I look forward to working with the other Board Members and District staff to broadcast the incredible educational programs we offer.”

Mrs. Robles, a Northview High School graduate and licensed vocational nurse, now works in a Medically Fragile classroom supporting students with disabilities.

“As a parent of a recent Covina High School graduate, I understand the struggles that parents often face in ensuring their children receive a quality education,” Mrs. Robles said. “I enjoy advocating for students, parents, and the community. I look forward to continuing to bring my unique perspective to the Board.”

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In the next four years, Mrs. Robles said she aims to advocate for the expansion of the District's literacy and Career Technical Education programs, while continuing to ensure that all students are adequately prepared for college and careers.

During the reorganization meeting, the Board of Education selected Maria Caceres of Trustee Area 5 to serve as president. Maria Cruz, who represents Trustee Area 3, was selected as vice president and Simon Wright of Trustee Area 4 was selected as Clerk. Members Rachael Robles of Trustee Area 2 and Sue Maulucci of Trustee Area 1 complete the Board.

"We are so fortunate to have such a dedicated and engaged Board of Education supporting our students and District," Superintendent Dr. Elizabeth Eminhizer said. "These individuals work tirelessly to ensure that our District provides the very best possible resources and education to our students."

PHOTO CAPTIONS:

CVUSD_BOARD1: (From left to right) Superintendent Dr. Elizabeth Eminhizer, Board of Education members Rachael Robles and Simon Wright, West Covina Mayor Dario Castellanos, and West Covina Councilmember-Elect Ollie Cantos attend Covina-Valley Unified School District's Oath of Office event on Dec. 12.

CVUSD_BOARD2: New Covina-Valley Unified School District Board of Education member Simon Wright celebrates his swearing-in with his family on Dec. 12. Mr. Wright plans to help spread the word about the strong programs available in the District.

CVUSD_BOARD3: Returning Covina-Valley Unified School District Board of Education member Rachael Robles takes the Oath of Office before the Board's reorganization meeting on Dec. 12. Mrs. Robles plans to promote the expansion of the District's literacy and Career Technical Education programs in her next four years serving on the Board.

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