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South Bay Union Names Deputy Superintendent

Cynthia Wagner Appointed Chief Educational Officer

Imperial Beach, CA – At their meeting on November 8, 2018, the South Bay Union School District Board of Trustees approved the appointment of Cynthia Wagner as the District's Deputy Superintendent. Ms. Wagner has served as South Bay's Assistant Superintendent of Educational Leadership since her hire in July 2014.

Ms. Wagner previously served as the Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services and an Elementary School Principal in the Rancho Santa Fe School District. She began her K-8 teaching career in 1987 with various positions in Arizona, Utah, the Del Mar Union School District, and in Rancho Santa Fe. She has also served as an Adjunct Faculty Member at Arizona State University and as the Assistant Director of Field Experience and Student Teacher Supervisor and an Adjunct Faculty Member at California State University, San Marcos.

Ms. Wagner has a Master of Education in Elementary Education and Curriculum from Arizona State University and a Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education from Valdosta State University. Her experience includes leadership roles on the North County Professional Development Federation, the San Diego County Office of Education Curriculum and Instruction Group, and a longstanding partnership with Columbia University's Teachers College Reading and Writing Project.

Ms. Wagner shared her thoughts about her new position, "I am deeply honored by this appointment and grateful to the Board of Trustees and Superintendent McNamara for their support. I am excited to continue the outstanding work of the Educational Leadership staff. It is a privilege to lead our instructional team and to serve the students and families in South Bay."

Superintendent Katie McNamara spoke about the future, "Ms. Wagner is masterful in her leadership of professional development and has brought about substantive change in classrooms. Today, more than 1,000 South Bay students are reading at grade-level when they weren't before. Classrooms are more rigorous than ever and, at the same time, children are experiencing more personalized, supportive, and joyful environments because of the work Cindy has been doing in schools. She is a visionary and innovative leader with a wealth of experience and knowledge. I am confident that in her new role as Deputy Superintendent she will continue to lead our instructional work to ensure excellence in teaching and the academic and social success of all students."

About South Bay Union School District

The award winning South Bay Union School District proudly serves over 7,500 students in Imperial Beach, San Ysidro, and south San Diego. The District is comprised of twelve campuses, including nine K-6 schools, two K-8 charter schools, and one Preschool. South Bay offers several specialized programs including Dual Language, Instrumental Music, Leader in Me, No Excuses University, Visual and Performing Arts, and a STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) Academy. For more information, visit www.sbusd.org and follow @SBUSD_SUPT for the latest news.

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