

Special Election Nominations

SLPA Director

Amanda Perrotti: I, Amanda Perrotti, aspire to be District 7's Director. I am passionate, determined, and have leadership experience. I obtained my bachelor's and master's degrees in communicative disorders from California State University, Los Angeles and have clinical experience as an SLP in both medical and public school settings. My extensive volunteerism and leadership experiences within NSSLHA and CSHA, combined with my dedication to the field, uniquely equip me for this role. My vision for CSHA entails fostering a vibrant community of engaged members. I eagerly offer my dedication and expertise to serve our organization. Thank you for considering my candidacy.

District 7 Director

Letizia S. Hendrickson: My name is Letizia S. Hendrickson, and I am running for CSHA District 7 Director. I am seeking the position to advocate for our profession, the communities we serve, and our future SLPs and audiologists. Diversity, equity, and neuro-affirming practices are at the forefront of important issues I am passionate about. I want to represent all of our District 7 members' voices, concerns, and ideas as we navigate through these ever-changing times. By working collectively with CSHA, its members, and the state legislature, I hope to improve our field and inspire decision makers to unite in our cause of helping others.

Nicole Wilson-Friend: This is my 20th year as an SLPA. I have had a front-row seat in the evolution of the profession of SLPAs, and I have involved myself in some level of advocacy and support throughout those entire 20 years at both the state and national levels. I am aware of the issues and concerns that SLPAs in California and the United States are facing. If I am chosen as the SLPA Director, I am confident in my ability to be a voice that speaks for my colleagues and our profession with knowledge and passion.

District 9 Director

Benjamin Bennett: As a committed Speech-Language Pathologist, I am eager to serve as District 9 Director and dedicated to advancing CSHA's goals through innovative leadership. My founding of a Bilingual Institute and an assistive technology department showcases my ability to address critical challenges like specialization deficits, and my current efforts looking at workload vs. caseload address the fundamental issue of workload imbalances. Known for my calm, unbiased approach, I enhance community outreach and boost public awareness. With your support, I can extend our advocacy and achieve greater engagement and, together, we can shape a future where every clinician's voice is heard and valued.

VP of Continuing Education

Adrienne Wroebel: As Vice President of Continuing Education, I look forward to the opportunity to support Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists in continuing to grow professionally across their settings. Whether through educational content at Convergence or District level

events, the opportunities are vast. Working with the Board on establishing asynchronous continuing education opportunities in this position is both exciting and will push myself to grow in many areas professionally as well.

VP of Advocacy and Professional Practice

Jennifer Kizner: I am seeking the new position of VP of Advocacy and Professional Practice at CSHA. I have been able to be involved in both state and national advocacy efforts through my volunteer positions within CSHA and have a better understanding of how we move our profession forward from a grassroots effort to national advocacy.

Benjamin Reece: CSHA's legislative efforts have always been important to me. The year I entered the profession, it was CSHA who defeated a major scope of practice infringement effort by a group of school administrators. We are fortunate to make a living doing something so rewarding, but our practice is only protected by our willingness to stand up and advocate for our profession, our colleagues, and most importantly, our clients. It would be my honor to serve as CSHA's VP of Advocacy and Professional Practice.

VP of Membership and Outreach

Kelly Arrellano: I am running for the position of VP of Membership Outreach because I have an understanding of the history of the CSHA of the past, have been instrumental in the creation of CSHA of the present, and am passionate about expanding the CSHA of the future. I have been involved in the organization for the past decade and have served in many leadership roles including District 7 Director and Early Intervention Committee Chair. As a VP, I plan to mobilize CSHA members by improving our communication avenues to increase participation in advocacy opportunities and reconnect our community through events across the state.