BEFORE THE FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of ) ) FPPC No. 14/037
) ) STIPULATION, DECISION and
) ) ORDER
PARENT TEACHER ACTION VOTER ) )
GUIDE; PATRICK FUREY, JR., PRINCIPAL ) )
OFFICER; and GARY CRUMMITT, ) )
TREASURER, ) )
) )
Respondent.

Complainant, the Fair Political Practices Commission ("Commission"), and respondents slate
mailer organization Parent Teacher Action Voter Guide ("Respondent Organization"). Patrick Furey Jr.,
the organization's principal officer, and Gary Crummitt, the organization's treasurer, hereby agree that
this Stipulation will be submitted for consideration by the Fair Political Practices Commission at its next
regularly scheduled meeting.

The parties agree to enter into this Stipulation to resolve all factual and legal issues raised in this
matter and to reach a final disposition without the necessity of holding an administrative hearing to
determine the liability of Respondents, pursuant to Section 83116 of the Government Code.

Respondents understand, and hereby knowingly and voluntarily waive, any and all procedural
rights set forth in Sections 83115.5, 11503 and 11523 of the Government Code, and in Sections 18361.1
through 18361.9 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. This includes, but is not limited to, the right to personally appear at any administrative hearing held in this matter, to be represented by an attorney at Respondents' own expense, to confront and cross-examine all witnesses testifying at the hearing, to subpoena witnesses to testify at the hearing, to have an impartial administrative law judge preside over the hearing as a hearing officer, and to have the matter judicially reviewed.

It is further stipulated and agreed that Respondents Parent Teacher Action Voter Guide, Patrick Furey Jr., and Gary Crummitt violated the Political Reform Act by failing to include in a slate mailer the required “Notice to Voters” disclaimer, in violation of Government Code Section 84305.5 subdivision (a)(2) (1 count). This count is described in Exhibit 1, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein. Exhibit 1 is a true and accurate summary of the facts in this matter.

Respondent agrees to the issuance of the Decision and Order, which is attached hereto. Respondent also agrees to the Commission imposing upon him an administrative penalty in the amount of One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars ($1,750). A cashier's check from Respondent in said amount, made payable to the "General Fund of the State of California," is submitted with this Stipulation as full payment of the administrative penalty, to be held by the State of California until the Commission issues its decision and order regarding this matter. The parties agree that in the event the Commission refuses to accept this Stipulation, it shall become null and void, and within fifteen (15) business days after the Commission meeting at which the Stipulation is rejected, all payments tendered by Respondent in connection with this Stipulation shall be reimbursed to Respondent. Respondent further stipulates and agrees that in the event the Commission rejects the Stipulation, and a full evidentiary hearing before the Commission becomes necessary, neither any member of the Commission, nor the Executive Director, shall be disqualified because of prior consideration of this Stipulation.
Gary Winuk, Enforcement Chief, on behalf of the Fair Political Practices Commission

Respondent Patrick Furey, Jr., Individually and on behalf of Parents Teachers Action Voter Guide

Respondent Gary Crummitt, Individually and on behalf of Parents Teachers Action Voter Guide
DECISION AND ORDER

The foregoing Stipulation of the parties "In the Matter of Parent Teacher Action Voter Guide, Patrick Furey Jr., principal officer, and Gary Crummitt, treasurer" FPPC No. 14/037, including all attached exhibits, is hereby accepted as the final decision and order of the Fair Political Practices Commission, effective upon execution below by the Chair.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: 4/17/14  

Sean Eskovitz, Vice Chair  
Fair Political Practices Commission