## **National Assessment Governing Board**

## **Nominations Committee** (Closed Session)

## Report of November 20, 2010

**Attendees:** David Alukonis (Chair), Alan Friedman, Tonya Miles, Susan Pimentel, Andrew Porter, Mary Frances Taymans, Eileen Weiser; Other Board Members – David Gordon; Board Staff – Mary Crovo.

In accordance with the provisions of exemptions 2 and 6 of Section 552b (c) of Title 5 U.S.C., the National Assessment Governing Board's Nominations Committee met in closed session on November 20, 2010 from 7:30 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.

Nominations Committee Chair, David Alukonis, called the meeting to order and welcomed new Committee members Alan Friedman, Tonya Miles, and Susan Pimentel, in addition to returning members Andrew Porter, Mary Frances Taymans, and Eileen Weiser. Mr. Alukonis noted that he appreciated this opportunity to serve as the new Nominations Chair. Following an overview of the agenda, Mr. Alukonis presented a summary of nominations received for terms beginning in October 2011 in the following six categories:

- 1. Chief State School Officer
- 2. Curriculum Specialist (2 openings)
- 3. 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher

I certify the accuracy of these minutes.

- 4. Local School Superintendent
- 5. State School Board Member
- 6. Testing and Measurement Expert

Deputy Executive Director, Mary Crovo, then briefed the Committee on profile information provided in the secure briefing materials regarding nominations received for 2011. It was noted that nominations for this cycle increased by 35 percent from last year. For the first time, nominations letters were primarily sent via email using Constant Contact, an online marketing service. Approximately 70 percent of the nominations for 2011 were received via email.

Following a discussion of the current nominee pool, the Committee discussed next steps. Each nominee's resume will be evaluated independently by three members of the Nominations Committee. Staff will compile the ratings in preparation for discussion by the Committee at the March 2010 Board meeting. At that time the Committee will recommend a slate of six candidates for each open position for Board action.

As a final discussion item, the Committee recommended some changes for improving the nominations process for the next cycle. In addition, the Committee agreed with the staff recommendation to develop an online form for submitting nominations in 2012.

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David Alukonis, Chair	Date