

National Assessment Governing Board

Nominations Committee (Closed Session)

Report of March 5, 2011

Attendees: David Alukonis (Chair), Alan Friedman, Tonya Miles, Susan Pimentel, Andrew Porter, Warren Smith, Mary Frances Taymans, Eileen Weiser; Other Board Members – David Gordon; Board Staff – Cornelia Orr, 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 Saturday, March 5, 2011 from 7:30 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.

Nominations Committee Chair, David Alukonis, called the meeting to order and reviewed the meeting agenda topics. Mr. Alukonis expressed appreciation to the Committee for their work in reviewing the numerous resumes during the last few months. He also thanked Board staff for their support during this nominations cycle.

Deputy Executive Director, Mary Crovo, reviewed the slate of finalists based on the Nominations Committee teleconference discussion in mid-February 2011. There are 7 positions in 6 open categories for terms beginning in October 2011:


1. Chief State School Officer
2. Curriculum Specialist (2 positions)
3. 12th Grade Teacher
4. Local School Superintendent
5. State School Board Member
6. Testing and Measurement Expert

It was noted that there are incumbents for the two curriculum specialist positions, state school board member, and testing expert. The Nominations Committee agreed that the slate of finalists should be presented in closed session to the full Board at the plenary session immediately following the Nominations Committee meeting.

In terms of the 2012 nominations cycle, the Committee discussed their interest in moving to a web-based application process. In addition, the Committee would like to request an optional statement from nominees regarding their qualifications for Board membership.

At the May 2011 Nominations Committee meeting, staff will present a status report on the 2011 nominations delivered to Secretary Arne Duncan in April 2011, as well as an update on the 2012 nominations process and outreach plan.

I certify the accuracy of these minutes.



David Alukonis, Chair

March 11, 2011

Date