

National Assessment Governing Board

Nominations Committee (Closed Session)

Report of August 8, 2015

Nominations Committee Members: Tonya Miles (Chair), Lucille Davy, Shannon Garrison, Doris Hicks, Andrew Ho, Joseph O'Keefe, S.J., Fielding Rolston, and Cary Sneider.

Governing 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 August 8, 2015 from 7:30 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.

Nominations Committee Chair, Tonya Miles, called the meeting to order and reviewed the agenda. Ms. Miles recognized the outstanding contributions of Susan Pimentel, who has served for many years on this Committee, and whose Board term expires on September 30, 2015. Ms. Miles also thanked the Committee members and Board staff for their excellent work during the 2014-2015 nominations cycle, where the Board recruited for eight positions. The Board is currently awaiting information from Secretary Duncan on the following Board positions, for terms that begin on October 1, 2015: chief state school officer, 12th grade teacher, state school board member, local school superintendent, business representative, testing expert, and curriculum specialist (two positions).

Then the Committee discussed the nominations process and outreach for the 2015-2016 cycle. The Board will have six positions open for terms that begin in October 2016: testing expert, general public representative, local school board member, non-public school administrator, and two state legislators (Democrat and Republican).

For the annual "call for nominations" Board staff and contractors are working to enhance the micro site on the Board's website, to solicit nominations and enable individuals to submit nominees for consideration by the Board. This micro site will go live in early September and nominations will be due by October 30, 2015.

The micro site will include new videos from Board members whose positions are open in 2016 along with additional audio testimonials from current Board members. The overall outreach for 2016 will include more than 10,000 emails, expanded social media outreach, posting short information pieces in organization newsletters, and other strategies. The Committee requested an opportunity to view the email database to see if other organizations should be added, and also asked to receive the map of current Board members to note geographic areas where nominations are needed for the next cycle. The Nominations Committee was very complimentary of the expanded outreach for the 2015-2016 nominations process.

I certify the accuracy of these minutes.



Tonya Miles, Chair

8-21-15
Date