National Assessment Governing Board

Nominations Committee (Closed Session)

Report of August 3, 2013

Attendees: Tonya Miles (Chair), Doris Hicks, Alan Friedman, Shannon Garrison, Brent Houston, Hector Ibarra, Susan Pimentel, Fielding Rolston, Cary Sneider; 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 3, 2013 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 thanked the Committee members and Board staff for their excellent work during the 2013 nominations cycle. Ms. Miles noted that on August 1, 2013 Secretary Duncan publicly announced his appointments for Board terms beginning on October 1, 2013. Governing Board members who were reappointed for a second four-year term include:

- Doris Hicks Elementary School Principal
- James Popham Testing and Measurement Expert
- Leticia Van de Putte State Legislator (Democrat)
- Tonya Miles General Public Representative

The Secretary also appointed one new Board member, Lucille Davy, in the General Public Representative category. Ms. Davy is a senior advisor to The Hunt Institute and was the state superintendent of schools in New Jersey.

Ms. Miles then asked Mary Crovo to explain the process being recommended by staff to fill the vacancy created by Blair Taylor's resignation on July 30, 2013. Ms. Crovo said that staff are recommending the Board fill Mr. Taylor's business representative slot with a finalist from the 2013 nominee pool. Mr. Taylor's term was set to end on September 30, 2014. Filling this vacancy with a 2013 finalist would prevent the slot from remaining vacant for a full year. Ms. Crovo presented the resume of a general public finalist from the 2013 pool who is a business person. The Nominations Committee discussed the recommended process and the individual who was presented, and endorsed the plan to move forward to fill the business representative vacancy.

Staff also noted that the National Governors Association will soon submit two names to Secretary Duncan to fill the Republican and Democratic Governor vacancies on the Board.

For the 2014 cycle, the Board will soon issue its annual "call for nominations" for the following positions for Board terms beginning in October 2014:

- 4th Grade Teacher
- 8th Grade Teacher

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- Secondary School Principal
- General Public Representative
- Chief State School Officer

The Committee reviewed the planned outreach strategies for the 2014 cycle, which include increased use of social media and enhanced web-based information. Members then discussed potential candidates who may be nominated for some of these positions. The Board's "call for nominations" will be issued in late August 2013, with nominations due in late October 2013.

Tanja Miles	Aug. 9, 2013
Tonya Miles, Chair	Date