



July 15, 2014

Dear Board Member,

We are pleased to provide the agenda and briefing materials for the July 31-August 2 meeting of the National Assessment Governing Board. The meeting will be held at the Fairfax at Embassy Row hotel, 2100 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, in Washington, DC.

The Assessment Development Committee, the Assessment Literacy Work Group, and the Executive Committee will meet on Thursday, July 31. As always, all Board members are encouraged to attend the Executive Committee meeting, which begins at 4:30 p.m.

On Friday, August 1 the Board agenda includes the customary morning updates. David has invited Michael Cohen, President of Achieve, to present his recommendations about the NAEP writing assessment during this time (<http://www.achieve.org/files/June2014Perspective.pdf>). The time for Committee meetings includes a joint session of the Committee on Standards, Design and Methodology (COSDAM) and the Reporting and Dissemination Committee (R&D).

During the closed working lunch on Friday, the Board will receive an embargoed briefing on the forthcoming Black-White Achievement Gaps report, which focuses on school composition and student achievement. Following this briefing, representatives of the SBAC and PARCC assessment consortia will provide their annual update to the Board on the Common Core State Assessments. The final topic on Friday is the NAEP Schedule of Assessments, which the Board will consider for action in a closed session because the discussion will include information on the NAEP budget available to implement the schedule.

After the Nominations Committee convenes at the usual time on Saturday, the full Board will meet in plenary session. There will be an "Inside NAEP" briefing on expanding NAEP scales to improve measurement followed by a session on a new approach for reporting NAEP core contextual variables. Following those presentations, departing members—Brent Houston, David Driscoll, Tom Luna, and John Easton—will provide remarks to the Board.

On Saturday morning the Board will take a number of important actions. Members should ensure their travel plans permit their participation in these actions and review the associated briefing materials.

- Executive Committee: Election of the Vice Chair; NAEP Schedule of Assessments
- COSDAM: TEL Achievement Levels Descriptions
- R&D: Communications Plan

We look forward to seeing you in several weeks, for what will be a very substantive Governing Board meeting. If you need further assistance in your preparations, please let us know how we can help.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cornelia".

Cornelia S. Orr
Executive Director



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AGENDA

Thursday, July 31

8:30 am – 4:00 pm	Assessment Development Committee (Closed Session) <i>Shannon Garrison, Chair</i> Churchill Room – 2 nd Floor
2:00 – 4:00 pm	Assessment Literacy Work Group <i>James Popham, Chair</i> Salon – 1 st Floor
4:30 – 5:30 pm	Executive Committee (Closed Session 5:00 – 5:30 p.m.) <i>David Driscoll, Chair</i> Balcony – 2 nd Floor

Friday, August 1

Ballroom – 1st Floor

8:30 – 8:45 am	Approval of August 2014 Agenda Approval of May 2014 Board Meeting Minutes Chairman's Remarks <i>David Driscoll, Chair</i>
8:45 – 9:00 am	Executive Director's Report <i>Cornelia Orr, Executive Director</i>

Friday, August 1 (continued)

Ballroom – 1st Floor

9:00 – 9:30 am	National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) Update Institute for Education Sciences (IES) Update <i>John Easton, Director, IES</i>		
9:30 – 9:45 am	BREAK		
9:45 am – 12:30 pm	Committee Meetings (2nd Floor)		
	Assessment Development Committee <i>Shannon Garrison, Chair</i> Churchill Room	9:45 – 10:45 am Joint Meeting COSDAM and R&D Committees Balcony	
		Committee on Standards, Design and Methodology (COSDAM) <i>Lou Fabrizio, Chair</i> Whitehall Room	Reporting & Dissemination Committee (R&D) <i>Andrés Alonso, Chair</i> Balcony
12:30 – 12:45 pm	BREAK		
12:45 – 1:45 pm	Closed Working Lunch Session Embargoed Briefing and Discussion: NAEP Report on School Composition and the Black-White Achievement Gap <i>Peggy Carr, Associate Commissioner, NCES</i> Ballroom – 1 st Floor		
1:45 – 2:00 pm	BREAK		
2:00 – 3:15 pm	Question and Answer Session with Representatives of the Common Core State Assessment Consortia <i>Jeff Nellhaus, Director, PARCC Assessment Consortium</i> <i>Joe Willhoft, Executive Director, Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC)</i> <i>Cornelia Orr, Moderator</i>		
3:15 – 3:30 pm	BREAK		
3:30 – 5:00 pm	Closed Session NAEP Schedule of Assessments: Discussion for Board Action <i>Cornelia Orr, NAGB</i> <i>Peggy Carr, NCES</i>		
5:00 pm	Adjourn		

Saturday, August 2

7:30– 8:15 am	Nominations Committee (Closed Session) <i>Tonya Miles, Chair</i> Balcony – 2 nd Floor
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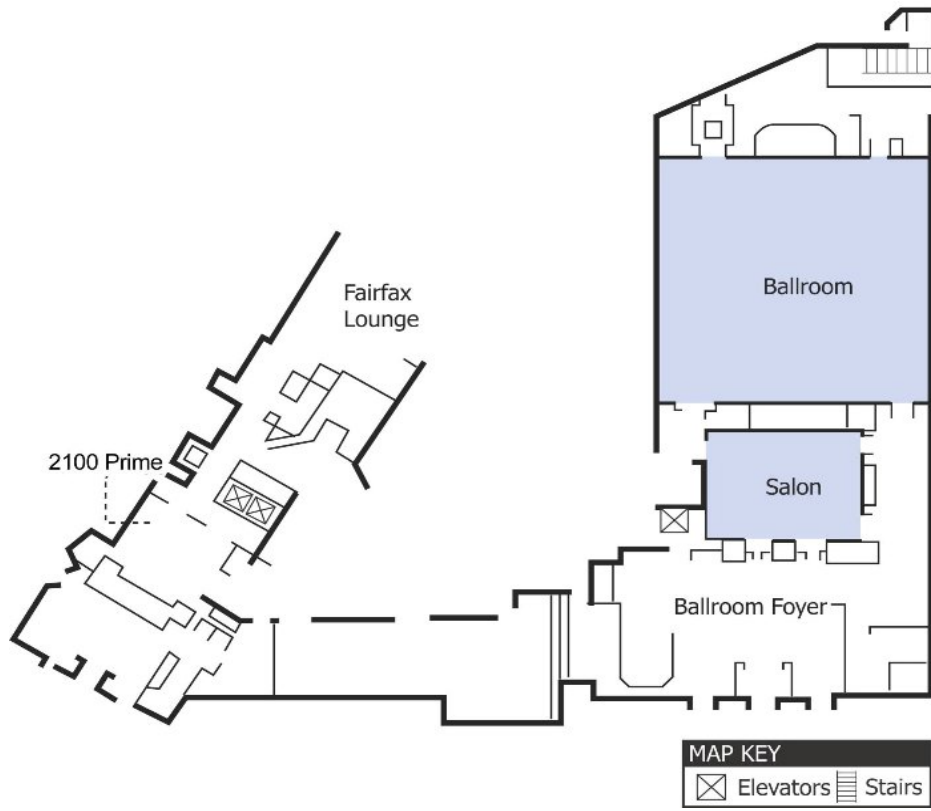
Plenary Session

Ballroom – 1st Floor

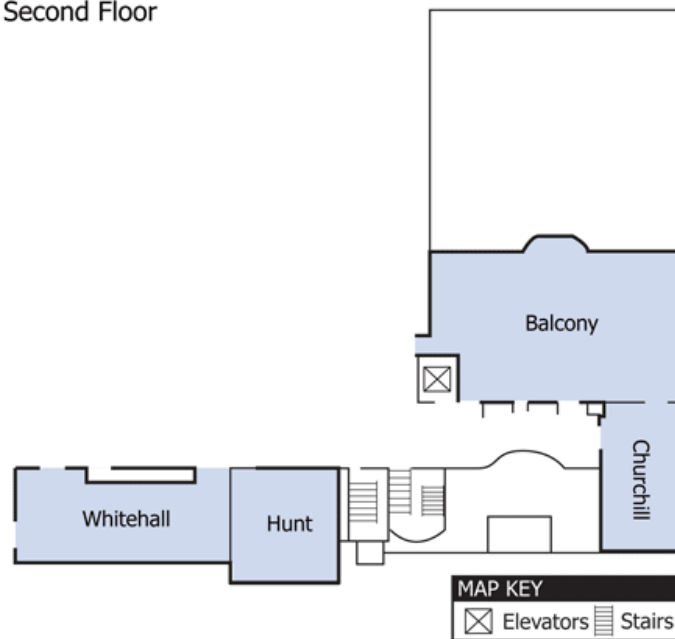
8:30 – 9:30 am	Inside NAEP: Expanding NAEP Scales to Improve Measurement <i>Rebecca Moran, ETS</i>
9:30 – 10:15 am	Plans for NAEP Core Contextual Modules <i>Jonas Bertling, ETS</i>
10:15 – 10:30 am	BREAK
10:30 – 10:45 am	Remarks from Outgoing Board Members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Brent Houston</i> • <i>Tom Luna</i> • <i>John Easton</i> • <i>David Driscoll</i>
10:45 am – 12:00 Noon	<p>Committee Reports and Board Actions</p> <p><i>Executive Committee</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Election of Vice Chair for 2014-2015 • NAEP Schedule of Assessments <p><i>Assessment Development Committee</i></p> <p><i>Committee on Standards, Design and Methodology</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achievement Levels Descriptions for Technology and Engineering Literacy (TEL) <p><i>Reporting and Dissemination Committee</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communications Plan <p><i>Nominations Committee</i></p>
12:00 Noon	Adjourn

Fairfax Embassy Row Floor Plan

First Floor



Second Floor



2014 - 2015 Quarterly Board Meeting Dates and Locations

MEETING DATES	LOCATION
November 20 - 22, 2014	Washington, DC
March 5 - 7, 2015	TBD
May 14 - 16, 2015	TBD
August 6 - 8, 2015	TBD
November 19 - 21, 2015	TBD

National Assessment Governing Board

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**National Assessment Governing Board
Committee Structure
2014-2015**

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Andrew Ho
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James Popham
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