

Virginia Board of Education Agenda Item



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Date: October 27, 2016

Title	First Review of Nominations to Fill Vacancies on the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure		
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Purpose of Presentation:

Review/action required by Board of Education bylaws.

Previous Review or Action:

No previous review or action.

Action Requested:

Final review: Action requested at this meeting.

Alignment with Board of Education Goals: Please indicate (X) all that apply:

	Goal 1: Accountability for Student Learning
	Goal 2: Rigorous Standards to Promote College and Career Readiness
	Goal 3: Expanded Opportunities to Learn
	Goal 4: Nurturing Young Learners
	Goal 5: Highly Qualified and Effective Educators
	Goal 6: Sound Policies for Student Success
	Goal 7: Safe and Secure Schools
X	Other Priority or Initiative. Specify: Board of Education Advisory Committees

Background Information and Statutory Authority:

Article Nine, Section 2 of the Board of Education’s bylaws states the following:

Section 2. Advisory Committees. Advisory committees may be created by the Board for special purposes to include, but not be limited to, federal and state-mandated committees. An advisory committee shall be composed of persons who represent the views and interests of the general public and who are known to be qualified to perform their duties. Personnel of the Department of Education may be appointed to the committee, as members or as consultants. Unless otherwise prescribed by state or federal law or regulations, all appointments to an advisory committee shall be made by the Board upon the recommendations of the Superintendent of Public Instruction...

The Board of Education's bylaws also specify the membership and term of service in Article Fifteen, Section 3 and 4, as follows:

Section 3. Membership. The Board shall determine the number of members to serve on an advisory committee, and shall appoint the members of the committee, as specified in Board bylaws under Article 9, Section 2, except as provided by state or federal law or regulation. Nominations for all vacant positions will be solicited as widely as practicable and on forms provided by the Virginia Department of Education. Members of advisory committees shall not receive compensation for their service, but may be reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with state travel guidelines set forth by the Department of Accounts. The Board, at its discretion, may appoint a member of the Board to serve as a liaison to the advisory committee.

Section 4. Term of Service. Appointments to an advisory committee shall be for a term of three years. Members of an advisory committee may be re-appointed, with no member serving more than two consecutive three-year terms. Any vacancies shall be filled by the Board.

The Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure has four vacant positions. Specific categories of expertise are required by the *Code of Virginia*.

- **Public School Classroom Teacher (Secondary)**
Term: July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2019
Priority consideration will be given to Regions 3 and 6
- **Public School Principal**
Term: To fill the unexpired term of July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2017
Priority consideration will be given to middle and secondary principals and to Regions 3, 7, and 8.
- **Nonpublic School Teacher**
Term: To fill the unexpired term of July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2018
- **Business Community**
Term: July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2019

Summary of Important Issues:

[Superintendent's Memorandum #243-16](#) dated September 23, 2016, announced the call for nominations to fill the advisory committee vacancies. The call for nominations was shared with school divisions, education associations - particularly teacher, principal, and private school organizations - the Virginia Chamber of Commerce, and individuals who asked to be notified of the Board's business.

Following the close of the nomination period, the nominations were reviewed by Virginia Department of Education staff. Persons recommended for appointment are selected based upon qualifications, and on the required categories for membership.

The list of nominees recommended for appointment is as follows:

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Public School Classroom Teacher (Secondary)

Term: July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2019

Dr. Willie C. Sherman
Pittsylvania County Schools

Public School Principal

Term: To fill the unexpired term of July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2017

Dr. Travis Burns
Northumberland County Schools

Nonpublic School Teacher

Term: To fill the unexpired term of July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2018

Brian J. McGovern
Peninsula Catholic High School

Business Community

Term: July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2019

Dr. Garry Wayne Carter, Jr.
Newport News Shipbuilding

Impact on Fiscal and Human Resources:

The operating expenses and other costs associated with the meetings and functions of the Board of Education's advisory committees are provided through the Department of Education's operating funds.

Timetable for Further Review/Action:

The next meeting of the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure is November 14, 2016, so it is recommended that the Board waive first review and approve the recommended nominations at its October meeting so that individuals can participate in the November meeting. Following the Board of Education's action, the Department of Education staff will notify all applicants of the status of their nomination.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

The Superintendent of Public Instruction recommends that the Board of Education waive first review and approve the recommended nominees to fill vacancies on the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure.

Rationale for Action:

Pursuant to the Board's bylaws, all appointments to an advisory committee shall be made by the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The nominees

recommended for appointment meet the qualifications for the positions sought, represent specific expertise valuable to the committee, and represent diverse geographical regions.