

Virginia Board of Education Agenda Item



Agenda Item: M

Date: November 21, 2013

Title	First Review of Nominations to Fill Vacancies on the Board of Education’s Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure and the Virginia Advisory Committee for the Education of the Gifted		
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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:

Other. Specify below:

The Board is being asked to waive first review and take action November 21, 2013.

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 Sixteen, 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 Nine, 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 Department of Education. . .

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 appointed to a second consecutive three-year term, but shall not be eligible to serve for more than six consecutive years...A member filling the unexpired term of a member who resigned from the committee may be appointed to another consecutive three-year term. . .

Two of the Board’s advisory committees have unexpired terms to fill.

- The Virginia Advisory Committee for the Education of the Gifted - unexpired term is through June 30, 2016. Nominations were requested for a school board member.
- The Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure - unexpired term is July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014. The current vacancy on ABTEL is for a secondary classroom career and technical education teacher. Nominations were requested for teacher nominees in Region 1.

For all committees, the Board of Education seeks to have geographic and racial/ethnic representation among the appointees.

Superintendent’s Memorandum 250-13 dated September 20, 2013, and Superintendent’s Memorandum 279-13 dated October 18, 2013, announced the call for nominations to fill the current vacancies. The call for nominations was distributed widely and posted on the Department of Education’s Web site.

Following the close of the nomination period, the nominations were reviewed. Persons recommended for appointment were selected based upon qualifications and on the required categories for membership (if applicable).

Summary of Important Issues:

The list of nominees recommended for appointment are as follows:

Virginia Advisory Committee for the Education of the Gifted

Robert Hundley
School Board Chair, Hanover County Public Schools
* This vacancy is to fill an unexpired term through June 30, 2016.

Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure

Allen Bierlair
Teacher, Chesterfield County Public Schools
* This vacancy is to fill an unexpired term of July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.

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.

Where applicable, federal funds are provided to support the expenses and the work of an advisory committee.

Timetable for Further Review/Action:

Following the Board of Education's action, the Department of Education staff will notify all applicants of the status of their nomination, and those appointed will be contacted immediately to participate in the upcoming committee meetings.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

The Superintendent of Public Instruction recommends that the Board of Education waive first review and approve the recommendations for appointment to the Board of Education's advisory committees.