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| TO: | Board Presidents, and Superintendents, TASB Region 16 | |
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| FROM: | Gary Inmon, Immediate Past-President, Nominations Committee Chair | |
| DATE: | May 20, 2013 | |
| SUBJECT: | TASB Director Expiring Term of Bret Begert | |

As prescribed by the Bylaws of the Texas Association of School Boards, this is to serve as written notice that the term of Bret Begert, your representative on the TASB Board of Directors from TASB Region 16, will expire this year at the close of the 2013 Convention. <u>Mr. Begert has indicated an intent to seek reelection</u>. Your district may reaffirm its support for the current Director, or your district is invited to submit a nominee for this position on the TASB Board.

The TASB Board of Directors is charged with carrying out the policies established by the Delegate Assembly of the Association. The nominated Director should be a capable, experienced school board member who can assist in providing the Association with outstanding leadership. The Director is expected to attend four meetings of the Board each year with one of the meetings being at the same time as the annual state convention in the fall. In addition, the Director will be asked to serve on a standing committee that will meet on an as needed basis, normally in conjunction with a Board meeting.

Lodging and transportation expenses incurred by the Directors attending regular Spring, Summer, and December Board meetings are reimbursed by the Association, along with transportation and up to three nights in lodging expenses incurred attending the Convention Board meeting.

The Nominations Committee will meet at the TASB office, in Austin on **Friday and Saturday, September 6** – **7**, **2013**, to interview nominated individuals and prepare a slate of nominees to present to the Delegate Assembly. Candidates will be notified of the time for the interviews. Expenses incurred for the interview will be the responsibility of the local school district.

TO NOMINATE AN INDIVIDUAL FROM YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD:

Each nominated individual's local school board (Active Member) must submit the following: (a) the Active Member's nomination (Form A), (b) the nominated individual's biographical information (Form B), (c) a signed letter from the nominated individual confirming an intention to be a candidate and a willingness to serve, if elected (Form C), and (d) candidate questionnaire (Form D). <u>These four items **must be**</u> **received in the TASB Austin office no later than Monday, July 1, 2013**. Pursuant to the Bylaws, Nominations that do not meet this deadline cannot be accepted. The enclosed excerpt from the Bylaws provides additional information regarding this process. Shortly after receipt of nomination forms, TASB will email to the nominated individual and the superintendent confirmation of receipt of the forms. <u>If an</u> acknowledgment is not received, contact Roberta Austin at TASB **prior to the July 1 deadline**.

TO ENDORSE A NOMINATED INDIVIDUAL FROM A BOARD WITHIN YOUR TASB REGION:

From Wednesday, July 3, to Thursday, August 29, 2013, Active Member school boards may endorse a nominated individual (Form E) from their TASB Region who has complied with the requirements stated in the above paragraph. (If you have nominated one of your local board members, that nomination will be counted as your endorsement as well.) If at least 25 percent and less than a majority of the Active Members from the nominated individual's TASB Region endorse the same individual, that individual will be included on the official ballot. If a majority of the Active Members in a TASB Region endorses the same nominated individual, that individual will be elected to the TASB Board and will take office after the final session of the convention in the year elected [TASB Bylaws Art. VI, Section 2D(5)]. By July 3, a list

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of all candidates running for this position will be posted to the TASB Web Site: <u>www.tasb.org</u>. To access the list go to <u>www.tasb.org</u>, under the "About TASB" tab, select the "Governance" link; choose "TASB Director Nomination Information"; then click on 2013-14 Nominations Information.

Pursuant to the bylaws, endorsements adopted by an Active Member before July 3, 2013, or endorsements that are not on the endorsement form provided by the Association in a given year cannot be accepted. To endorse a nominated individual, complete the enclosed Endorsement Form (Form E) and return to the TASB office. This form must be received in the TASB Austin office no earlier than WEDNESDAY, JULY 3 or no later than THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 2013, (for additional information regarding this process, see enclosed Article VI. Board of Directors).

Also enclosed, for your reference, are the following TASB Board Policies: TASB-101 Statement of Commitments, Understandings, and Expectations for TASB Officers and Directors; TASB-104 Expense Reimbursement; Exhibit TASB-104ea; and TASB-803 Executive Director/Staff/Outside Contractors: Hiring Limitations.

If you have questions or need further information, please contact Roberta Austin at TASB **1-800-580-8272**, ext. 6365 or 512-467-0222, ext. 6365; or by e-mail at <u>roberta.austin@tasb.org</u>. We appreciate your participation in this nomination process.

cc: Superintendent Secretaries

Enclosures

FORM E

ENDORSEMENT FORM

Date: May 20, 2013

Gary Inmon, Chair TASB Nominations Committee P. O. Box 400 Austin, Texas 78767-0400 This form is to be used to endorse a nominated individual from a BOARD within your TASB Region who has completed the July 1, 2013 requirements.

Endorsements will only be accepted if acted on from JULY 3 to AUGUST 29. Must be received in the TASB Austin office on or before AUGUST 29, 2013.

Dear Mr. Inmon:

Our school board endorses the candidacy of the following individual nominated to fill a position on the TASB Board of Directors.

CANDIDATE INFORMATION

| NAME: | |
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| SCHOOL DISTRICT: | |
| MAILING ADDRESS: | |
| CITY: | , TEXAS ZIP |

This endorsement was approved by our school district's board of trustees at a duly called meeting on

(Date)

Best regards,

| (BOARD PRESIDENT) | |
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| NAME: | |
| SCHOOL DISTRICT: | |
| MAILING ADDRESS: | |
| CITY: | , TEXAS ZIP |

Must be received in the TASB Austin office on or before AUGUST 29, 2013

RETURN TO: TASB Attn: Management Services P.O. Box 400 Austin, Texas 78767-0400 -or-FAX (512) 467-3554