

# **Naming of Nominations to Attend the NSBA Advocacy Institute in Washington DC**

August 11, 2020

## **SUMMARY:**

NSBA Governmental Relations is hosting an Advocacy Institute in Washington DC and TASB has requested that at least one trustee from each of Texas's 36 congressional districts attend. Local school boards may nominate a trustee and alternate to receive a stipend to attend and represent their district. Nominations must be returned to TASB by September 18, 2020. Selected recipients will be notified in October 2020.

## **PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:**

No previous Board action

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Every year, the National School Boards Association hosts the Advocacy Institute in Washington, DC. This is the only national legislative event exclusively for school trustees. Attendees receive briefings on federal issues, learn about the impact pending federal legislation and regulations may have on their local school districts, and meet with US senators and members of Congress to discuss local issues.

It is a goal of the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) to have a representative from each of the 36 Texas congressional districts at the Advocacy Institute. To meet this goal, TASB is offering a stipend to eligible trustees for each of the 36 congressional districts in Texas to attend the conference January 24–26, 2021. The stipend pays for conference registration only, and recipients awarded a stipend must pay for their accommodations and transportation to Washington, D.C.

## **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:**

None

## **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

By committing to participate in the Advocacy Institute, travel accommodations and transportation to Washington DC will need to be provided.

## **BENEFIT OF ACTION:**

Will provide our Board the opportunity be an advocate for our District and students at the national level.

## **PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:**

None

## **PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:**

None

## **ALTERNATIVES:**

No alternative actions are proposed

## **OTHER COMMENTS:**

None

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:** For the Board of Trustees to nominate a trustee and an alternate to represent Denton ISD.

## **STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:**

**Dr. Jamie Wilson, Superintendent**

## **APPROVAL:**

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_