

June 19, 2015

Dear Board Presidents, Superintendents, and Superintendent Secretaries for Region 16,

I am writing to notify you of the **opening of Nominations for the TASB Board of Directors for Region 16**. Due to an unfortunate error, TASB failed to send timely notice that the TASB Board of Director position for Region 16 is up for election at the 2015 Delegate Assembly. We apologize for the error and any inconvenience it might have caused. In order to ensure you have ample time to select a candidate, **TASB extended the nominations deadline for Region 16 to Friday, July 31st.**

At this time, you are invited to nominate a trustee from your board for the Region 16 position on the TASB Board of Directors.

This is currently an interim position held by Cindy Spanel, Highland Park ISD – Potter County. The term will expire at the close of the 2015 TASA/TASB Convention. Ms. Spanel has indicated intent to seek reelection. *The term of this new position is for one year* beginning at the close of the 2015 Annual TASA/TASB Convention and expiring after Convention 2016.

A TASB Director represents his or her region on the Board, guiding the organization to ensure that the Association fulfills its mission to provide advocacy, visionary leadership, and high-quality services to you, our members.

If your local school board would like to nominate a candidate to fill the position, please follow the attached instructions, and complete and return the attached forms. Nominations must be received in the TASB Headquarters no later than Friday, July 31, 2015. If you have questions or need further information, please contact Sheri Hicks at 800-580-8272, ext. 2800, or 512-467-0222, ext. 2800.

Please note, this is a call for nominations. Due to the adjustment of the nominations period, the endorsement period, during which your district may support nominated candidates, will be open August 3 – August 31, 2015.

We appreciate your participation in TASB's governance process and your ongoing commitment to Texas public schools!

Sincerely,

Faye Beaulieu

TASB Nominations Committee Chair

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Attachments

INSTRUCTIONS FOR NOMINATION TO THE TASB BOARD OF DIRECTORS

About the TASB Board of Directors

The TASB Board of Directors is charged with carrying out the policies established by the Delegate Assembly of the Association. The individual 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. The Director should be a capable, experienced school board member who can assist in providing the Association with outstanding leadership.

How to Nominate a Candidate to the TASB Board

To nominate an individual from your local school board, please see the following:

The local school board (Active Member) of a nominee must submit the following forms, attached. The completed materials must be received in the TASB Headquarters no later than Friday, July 31, 2015:

- A. the Active Member's nomination,
- B. the nominated individual's biographical information,
- C. a signed letter from the nominated individual confirming an intention to be a candidate and a willingness to serve, if elected, and;
- D. the candidate questionnaire

Shortly after receipt of nomination forms, TASB will e-mail to the nominated individual and the superintendent confirmation of receipt of the forms. <u>If an acknowledgment is not received, contact Sheri Hicks or Susan Tabbee at TASB 1-800-580-8272, ext. 3573 or 512-467-0222, ext. 3573</u>; or by e-mail at <u>susan.tabbee@tasb.org.</u>

Nominations that do not meet this deadline cannot be accepted.

The Next Steps

By Monday, August 3, a list of all nominees running for the position will be posted to the TASB Web Site.

How to Endorse a Candidate to the TASB Board

Between Monday, August 3, and Monday, August 31, 2015, Active Member school boards may then endorse* one nominated individual from their TASB Region. If a majority of the Active Members of a Region endorses the nominee, that individual will be elected to the TASB Board. If at least 25 percent, but not a majority, of the Active Members of a Region endorses the nominee, that individual will be included on the official ballot at the TASB Delegate Assembly. *Complete the Endorsement Form.

The Nominations Committee will meet at the TASB Headquarters in Austin on Friday – Saturday September 11-12, 2015, to interview nominated individuals and develop a slate of recommendation individuals for the Delegate Assembly. The nominee will be notified of the time for the Interviews.

If you have questions or need further information, please contact Sheri Hicks or Susan Tabbee. We appreciate your participation in this nomination process.