



THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT / THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK / ALBANY, NY 12234

To: Higher Education Committee

From: Joseph P. Frey

Subject: Appointment to the State Professional Standards and Practices Board for Teaching

Date: January 27, 2011

Authorizations:

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)

Should the Board of Regents approve the proposed appointment to the State Professional Standards and Practices Board for Teaching?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Required by State regulation.

Proposed Handling

The question will come before the full Board for consideration at its January 2011 meeting, where it will be voted on and action taken.

Procedural History

Terms for members of the State Professional Standards and Practices Board for Teaching are set forth in Regents Rule 3.14. The Board of Regents appoints members to four-year terms, with the exception of the teacher education student member, who is appointed to a two-year term. Board co-chairs are appointed for two-year terms.

There is currently a vacancy for a public member on the Standards Board. The individual below is recommended for appointment to fill this vacancy.

Background Information

Maria Dewald is recommended for appointment as a new public member to the Standards Board. A brief biographical sketch of Ms. Dewald (Attachment 1) and a list of the current membership are attached (Attachment 2).

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Regents approve the following appointment to the State Professional Standards and Practices Board for Teaching: Maria Dewald (public member) for a four-year term beginning February 8, 2011 and ending June 30, 2014

Timetable for Implementation

Members' terms will begin immediately upon appointment.

The University of the State of New York
The State Education Department

State Professional Standards and Practices Board for Teaching

Maria DeWald
New York State PTA
Immediate Past President

Membership Category:
Public Member

As immediate past President of the NYS Parent Teacher Association Ms. Dewald is presently focusing on large family engagement initiatives in New York City in conjunction with the United Federation of Teachers. She is also co-chairing a large initiative in partnership with New York State Parent Information Resource Center and NYSED regarding the implementation of the Regents Family Engagement Policy.

Maria has been extremely involved in the planning and execution of three Family Engagement Summits working with Chancellor Emeritus Bennett, EPIC, PIIRCS and the Cornell Cooperative Extension. She also serves on the NYS Association for Arts Education and the National PTA Legislation Committee. She has helped to guide public policy formation on Family Engagement issues in the reauthorization of ESEA/NCLB, the Juvenile Justice Act and IDEA.

Ms. Dewald is currently Arts in Education Coordinator for the Dutchess County BOCES where she: facilitates SED aid reimbursement for arts in Education program in the schools of Dutchess County, identifies and oversees resources for participating schools, and works with statewide coordinators to advocate for the arts integration in the schools.

Ms. Dewald is recipient of the NYS PTA Honorary Life Distinguished Service and Diamond Awards, the National PTA Lifetime Achievement Award the Pleasant Valley Lions Club of the Blind Award and the Dutchess County Executives Arts in Education Award.

State Professional Standards and Practices Board for Teaching	
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