



CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

JULY 2004 AGENDA

SUBJECT English Learner Advisory Committee: Appointment of Members.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action
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RECOMMENDATION

Appoint members of the English Learner Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION AND ACTION

On December 9, 1999, the State Board of Education (State Board) established the English Learner Advisory Committee. The role of the ELAC is to provide the State Board with information, guidance, and advice on issues related to English learners.

SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

The term of office for the ELAC members were initially set for three years. Each State Board member recommended an individual to serve on the ELAC, with the Board President appointing the committee chair. The full Board voted to appoint the members and to fill vacancies as they arose. Because the term of office of the initial ELAC members were not staggered, the terms of all ELAC members expired in December 2003.

In May 2004, the State Board revised the appointment process to allow for staggered terms of office and appointed five members. To have a full committee with 11 members, an additional six members need to be appointed. Once additional members are appointed, the Board President will determine the term of office, either two or three years, for the newly appointed members.

Nominee for Appointment: David Carr

David Carr, a teacher at Compton High School, has served as the district coordinator for English Language Development, overseeing the teaching of English to English Learners. He has been active in the California Association of Bilingual Education and the Association of Mexican American Educators, presenting workshops on easing tensions between African-American and Chicano/Latino students in urban schools.

SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES (CONTINUED)

David Carr has also been a program director and recruitment coordinator for Teach for America. It is anticipated that additional nominations will be made at the State Board meeting.

FISCAL ANALYSIS (AS APPROPRIATE)

The ELAC meets at the direction of the State Board, no more than three times a year. The ELAC members are not paid, but are reimbursed for travel expenses. Historically, travel expenses have been minimal.

ATTACHMENT

Information on the additional nominees, if any, will be provided at the July 2004 meeting.