



NOVEMBER 2003 AGENDA

SUBJECT:

Screening Committee review of applications and selection of applicants to be interviewed for appointment to the Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission.

 X ACTION
 X INFORMATION
PUBLIC HEARING

RECOMMENDATION:

Have the State Board's Screening Committee review the applications for appointment to the Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission. Select the applicants to be interviewed. At the State Board's discretion, the decision on those applicants to be interviewed may be left with the Screening Committee or ratified by the full Board.

Summary of Previous State Board of Education Discussion and Action.

The State Board is to appoint four individuals to the Curriculum Commission whose four-year terms will commence January 1, 2004. In addition, there is one vacancy on the Curriculum Commission for a term that has two years remaining (ending December 31, 2005). Finally, there will be one current term that ends December 31, 2004; on one occasion, the State Board chose to make (at this point) a deferred appointment to fill that forthcoming vacancy from among the current applications.

Typically, the State Board has deferred the decision on applicants to be interviewed to its Screening Committee, though on occasion the full Board has made the decision on those to be interviewed based on the Screening Committee's recommendation. It is customary to interview two or three individuals for each position to be filled. At the Screening Committee's discretion, the interviews may be held between the November 2003 and January 2004 meetings, or may be held at the January 2004 meeting.

Summary of Key Issue(s).

The State Board is to ensure that at least seven of the Curriculum Commission's 16 public members are classroom teachers (or mentor teachers) at the time of appointment. Information will be provided at the Screening Committee meeting as to the anticipated number of teachers needed to satisfy the statutory requirement in 2004 and 2005.

Fiscal Analysis (as appropriate).

N/A.

Background Information attached to this Agenda Item.

The Screening Committee members will be provided copies of the applications for appointment to the Curriculum Commission, along with any other State Board member so requesting. The same information will be available for public inspection at the State Board Office.