



TO: Roger Breed, Ed.D.
Commissioner of Education

FROM: Valorie Foy

SUBJECT: Technical Advisory Committee Attendee Selection

Proposed Board Action:

Background Information:

Meeting Participation: The member of the State Board of Education who was attending the TAC meetings is no longer on the board; selecting a new attendee is recommended.

Estimated Cost:

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Supporting Documentation Included:

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For Additional Information on this item:

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