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SUBJECT: Update on the Development of Teacher and Principal Standards for
Educator Effectiveness

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In January 2011 the State Board of Education approved the development of Teacher and Principal Standards. A Stakeholders meeting held on December 10, 2010 showed wide support for development of such standards.

A standards drafting committee, representing the various stakeholders groups, was formed. The group consisted of 20 members focusing on teacher standards and 20 focusing on principal standards. The first large group session was held on February 15+16 at the Country Inn and Suites in Lincoln. They looked at models from other states, reviewed the current work from Chief State School Officers, and began drafting a set of standards for Nebraska.

Using a similar process to that used with the academic content standards, a smaller editing committee was named from the larger group to refine and clarify the initial work. Their first meeting was held on February 28, 2011.

This report will inform the Board of the work accomplished to date and upcoming activities.

Estimated Cost: \$25,000 – Federal ESEA Statewide Activities Funds

Supporting Documentation Included: None

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