



June 28, 2018

CEF Meeting Agenda

June 29, 2018 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

AASCU, 1307 New York Ave, NW, 1st floor auditorium

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- I. 9:00 a.m. Welcome breakfast-social
- II. 9:30 a.m.
 - Welcome – CEF President Jeff Carter
 - Introductions of any new attendees
 - Weekly spotlight on a CEF member organization: Flannery Geoghegan, University of Southern California
- III. Deputy Executive Director's Report
 - Appropriations status overview
 - CEF meeting with Department of Education
 - Reminder: CEF Hill day on July 18
 - Reminder: Gala sponsorships and tickets available
 - Discussion, sharing of intel, Q&A
- IV. Gala awardees slate: Ally Bernstein and Flannery Geoghegan, Gala Committee Co-chairs (memo attached)
- V. Timely education policy topics
 - Perkins CTE, HEA, ESSA, Adult Education/WIOA, announcements, etc.
- VI. [Next Friday CEF meeting:](#)

- July 13 at AASCU, 1307 New York Ave, NW. Guest speaker: Rebecca Howard, Education LA, Senator Doug Jones (D-AL).

VII. 10:15 a.m.

- Guest speaker: Robin Juliano, House Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Subcommittee democratic staff.

VIII. 11:00 a.m. Conclusion

Sheryl V. Cohen, Executive Director



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Dear CEF Members,

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On June 27th the CEF Board voted unanimously to approve the slate recommended by the Gala Committee for the 2018 Gala Awardees. The slate was carefully considered by the Gala Committee and is based on the nominations submitted by CEF members in support of Members of Congress and others who have championed increased investments in education across the continuum. The following slate is now being presented to the full membership for a vote:

1. **Sen. Tammy Baldwin (D-WI)** – Terrel H. Bell Award. For national leaders demonstrating outstanding advocacy of education as a congressional and federal priority.
 - Nominated by 9 CEF members, the Committee recommended Senator Tammy Baldwin be awarded the Bell award for her consistent advocacy around the need for increased investments in education across the entire continuum. Since her arrival in Congress in 1999, Senator Baldwin has been a vocal supporter of increased funding for pre-k, k-12, higher education, and workforce programs. Most recently, she helped secure an additional \$700 million for the Title IV-A block grant under ESSA, making it one of the largest increases in program funding in years.

2. **Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)** – Terrel H. Bell Award. For national leaders demonstrating outstanding advocacy of education as a congressional and federal priority.
 - Senator Murkowski was nominated for being “an independent voice in the Senate” and for going against the grain in a more conservative Senate to support increased investments in education programs. She has consistently supported investments in afterschool programs, special education programs, and higher education funding. The Committee recognizes Senator Murkowski for her continuous efforts to work across the aisle around the need to support education investments.

3. **Sen. Charles Schumer (D-NY)** – William H. Natcher Award. For distinguished service during this session of Congress in elevating the priority for education funding to ensure better opportunities for our nation’s citizens
 - Senator Schumer was nominated by two CEF members for his efforts to work across the aisle to increase the non-defense discretionary funding caps in 2018, which led to significant investments in education. His nomination form noted his proven strong, leadership to ensure a large increase in non-defense funding as well as his tireless championing of education funding.

The CEF Board and Gala Committee thank you for your support of this slate and look forward to moving forward on a vote.