



Monday, October 16, 2017

Dear CEF Members:

## I. Advocacy

- **NDD United’s “Faces of Austerity 2.0: How Budget Cuts Continue to Make Us Sicker, Poorer, and Less Secure”** – CEF is helping to sponsor and participate in NDD United’s October 25<sup>th</sup> briefing and release of its updated “Faces of Austerity” report detailing the impact of sequester-level funding on key non-defense discretionary (NDD) programs. CEF contributed two stories highlighting different parts of the education continuum. Once it’s finalized later this week we will circulate a media toolkit to help organizations and grassroots activists get involved. NDD United encourages everyone to attend and help publicize the [lunch briefing about the release](#) on October 25 from noon-1:30pm in room 201 A&B of the Capitol Visitor Center. Please RSVP to Michaela Hollis at [crdfellow3@dc-crd.com](mailto:crdfellow3@dc-crd.com).

## II. What We’re Hearing

- **Senate budget action likely this week** – While the House is in recess this week the Senate is likely to take up the fiscal year 2018 budget resolution approved two weeks ago by the Senate Budget Committee. Sources on the Hill are still saying that the schedule is not set because the Majority is still counting votes. However, they think it is likely that debate on the budget could start on the Senate floor tomorrow or Wednesday, with the “vote-a-rama” (rapid-fire consideration of amendments in order, with no real time for debate) beginning later on Thursday.

## III. Events

- **AERA lecture on Re-Envisioning Equity Research on October 19** – The American Educational Research Association is holding its 14<sup>th</sup> annual Brown Lecture in Education Research, featuring Alfredo Artiles of Arizona State University. This is a free event, with reception to follow, on Thursday, October 18, from 6:00-9:00pm in the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center. For more information and to RSVP, click [here](#).

- **National Principals Month briefing on Professional Development Funds in ESSA for School Leaders on October 24** – AFSA, NAESP and NASSP are holding a briefing to recognize National Principals Month and highlight how state ESSA plans will use Title II dollars to support school leadership. [The briefing is on October 24 from 12:00-1:30pm in 2044 Rayburn House Office Building.](#) To RSVP, please fill out this [form](#). If you're unable to attend, you can watch the event live [here](#).
- **Coalition to Preserve PSLF** – NACAC and several other CEF members have joined The Coalition to Preserve PSLF, a growing coalition from an array of professions dedicated to preserving the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program. The coalition recognizes PSLF plays a key role in making it financially feasible for individuals to commit to long-term public service careers and the benefits this provides to communities across the country. To join almost 70 organizations representing teachers, nurses, social workers, nonprofits, colleges, universities, veterinarians, and more, contact Isaac Bowers at [ibowers@equaljusticeworks.org](mailto:ibowers@equaljusticeworks.org) or Mike Rose at [mrose@nacacnet.org](mailto:mrose@nacacnet.org).
- **“PELL: The Power of Education” briefing and film screening on November 1** – the Members of the Rhode Island congressional delegation are hosting a briefing and screening of the documentary [“Pell”](#) about Senator Pell’s fight to give every student the opportunity to get a higher education. Reception begins at 5pm, film at 6:15pm, and Q&A following. [The event is on November 1 in the Capitol Visitor Center’s Orientation Theater South.](#) Please RSVP by October 25 to [pellthemovie@gmail.com](mailto:pellthemovie@gmail.com).
- **First-Generation College Celebration on November 8** – the Council for Opportunity in Education and NASPA-Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education are holding an event to highlight achievements of first-generation college students on November 8 – the 52<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the Higher Education Act of 1965. The event begins with a continental breakfast at 9:30 m, with the program from 10-11:30am in the Capitol Visitor Center’s Congressional Meeting Room South. Please RSVP [here](#). You can also watch the celebration live on Facebook [here](#).

#### IV. CEF issues and schedule

- **Nominations for CEF’s 2018 Board** – If you are interested in serving on CEF’s Board next year, please email your nomination form by November 9 to Jonathan Widjaja at [Widjaja@CEF.org](mailto:Widjaja@CEF.org). The explanatory memo and nomination form are attached.
- **CEF’s upcoming schedule** –
  - **Friday, Oct. 20, 9-11am:** At NEA, 1201 16th St NW, Chanin Auditorium. Guest speaker: Karen Stratman, Director of National Engagement, U.S. Department of Education

- **Friday, Oct. 27, 9-11am:** At AACTE, 1307 NY Ave, NW. Guest speakers: Stacy Rich (Staff Director for Senate Democratic Assistant Leader Patty Murray) and John Righter (Deputy Staff Director, Senate HELP Committee). [Note that our guests will be speaking at 9:30am.](#)
- **Friday, Nov. 3, 9-11am:** At NEA, 1201 16th St NW, Chanin Auditorium. Guest speaker: Bo Morris, Senior Legislative Assistant, Rep. Jared Polis (D-CO).
- **Thursday, Nov. 9** – [deadline for nominations to run for a seat on CEF's Board.](#)
- **Friday, Nov. 10** – [no meeting.](#)
- **Friday, Nov. 17, 9-11am:** At Georgetown University near Union Station, 600 NJ Ave, NW, Room 200 McDonough Hall. Guest Speaker: Erica Navarro, Director of Budget Service, U.S. Department of Education.

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## CEF Nominations and Elections Procedures 2017 Elections

- 1) Eligible CEF members wishing to be considered for the offices of President, Vice President or Treasurer, or for one of the eight elected seats on the CEF Board of Directors – four of which come up for election this year -- shall complete the attached “Candidate Profile” and submit it to the Committee on Nominations and Elections via the CEF office, **by Close of Business (COB) on Thursday, November 9, 2017.**
- 2) **Individuals serving on the Committee on Nominations and Elections may not file a candidate profile, nor may other individual employed by or representing an organization that is represented by a member of the committee.**
- 3) Individuals may file a Candidate Profile for more than one office. However, they may not appear on the final ballot for more than one office, so if they are recommended for one office but choose to pursue their candidacy for another, they will not be included on the slate for the original office.
- 4) Please send the candidate profile as a word attachment, or as a pdf file, to Jonathan Widjaja at CEF: [Widjaja@cef.org](mailto:Widjaja@cef.org). Candidates for election are free to campaign in any appropriate manner at any time during the nominations and elections process.
- 5) The Committee on Nominations and Elections will review the submitted candidate profiles and develop a slate to be presented to the CEF membership. The slate will include candidates for President, Vice President, Treasurer and the four elected seats on the CEF Board of Directors that are up for election (four Board members were elected last year to 2-year terms). The Nominations and Elections Committee will develop a slate that contains at least one candidate for President, Vice President, and Treasurer and no less than four candidates for the CEF Board of Directors to be elected by the CEF membership. The Committee on Nominations and Elections may solicit additional candidate profiles to ensure an appropriately balanced slate that is representative of the dues categories and education sectors within CEF’s membership.
- 6) Before the slate is presented to the full CEF membership, the Committee on Nominations and Elections shall contact those members who submitted profiles but who were not included on the slate to determine if they wish to maintain their candidacy and appear on the ballot. **In compliance with the CEF bylaws, the recommended slate, all additional candidates, and the Candidate Profiles of all those up for election**

**will be presented to the full membership by email on December 1, 2017, which is two weeks prior to the CEF Annual Meeting.**

**7) Elections will take place during the business session of the CEF Annual Meeting to be held on December 15, 2017.**

- a)** Each CEF member organization in good standing and also present at the annual meeting shall cast one vote. Proxy voting is not allowed.
- b)** Any CEF member who participates in the annual meeting by means of a conference telephone or similar means of communication which allows for those attending the meeting to simultaneously hear each other and participate in the meeting shall be deemed present in person at the meeting.
- c)** The order of elections will be: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and then the Board of Directors.
- d)** Voting will be by secret ballot.
- e)** If a candidate is unopposed for an office, the election may take place by voice vote if such a motion is approved by unanimous consent. Nominations from the floor are not permitted.
- f)** To the extent that paper or secret ballots are used for voting, those who participate by means of a conference telephone or similar means of communication may cast such ballot electronically.
- g)** Candidates for the offices of President, Vice President, and Treasurer shall be permitted to address attendees of the business meeting for three minutes. Officers shall be elected by a majority of the votes cast by secret ballot. If a runoff is required during any election for officers, the membership shall vote again on the two candidates who received the highest number of votes in the preceding vote.
- h)** Candidates for the Board of Directors will be permitted to address attendees of the business meeting for 90 seconds. Candidates receiving the four highest vote totals in rank order shall be elected to the Board of Directors. If candidates are tied for the last seat, a runoff will be held to determine a candidate with the most votes.

**8) The Officers and elected Board members take office at the end of the annual meeting.**

# Committee for Education Funding

## 2017 Committee on Nominations & Elections

### Official Candidate Profile

**Deadline: Due to CEF by COB on November 9, 2017**

*E-mail: [Widjaja@cef.org](mailto:Widjaja@cef.org)*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Position(s) sought:

\_\_\_\_\_ President

\_\_\_\_\_ Vice President

\_\_\_\_\_ Treasurer

\_\_\_\_\_ Two-Year Membership to Board of Directors

Other CEF Organizations you represent:

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### **Candidate Statement:**

***Please submit a candidate statement, preferably in 500 words or fewer, providing relevant information about your background, qualifications, experience in education, and your vision for CEF and specific goals you would like CEF to accomplish during your term. You may also include any other information you feel will advance your candidacy. This statement will be considered by the Committee on Nominations and Elections and distributed to the CEF membership prior to the Annual Meeting.***