



Wednesday, October 31,2018

I. Policy Intelligence and Education News

- **Education-related news while Congress is in recess** – Until news starts trickling out about the fiscal year (FY) 2020 budget and appropriations cycle, **CEF Updates** will include additional information on other education-related policy news that might be of interest.
 - **Department of Education internal reorganization** – The Department of Education is moving ahead with plans to combine and reorganize several internal offices by January 6, 2019. [Politico has reported](#) on the plans in detail, which include [moving the Budget Service will out of the Office of Planning Evaluation and Policy Development and into a new Office of Finance and Operations](#) that will also include the current Office of Management, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, and Risk Management Service. The conference committee report (the joint explanatory statement) for the FY 2019 Labor-HHS-Education appropriations bill notes that “the Department should be guided by language in the House and Senate Reports” and that “concerns remain that the views of stakeholders are not being adequately addressed” regarding ED’s reorganization plans ([page 545](#)). The FY 2019 Senate report says that all guidance from the FY 2018 appropriations still stand, and the FY 2018 guidance required the Department to provide detailed plans in advance to the Appropriations Committees and specifically included language “which would [not allow funding to be used for the purpose of reorganizing or decentralizing the \[Budget Service\] office.](#)” ([page 68](#)). The current reorganization plans also include moving the Office of Non-Public Education out of the Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII) to instead report directly to the Office of the Secretary. OII will be combined with the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education. A new Student Privacy Policy Office will be created by combining the current Student Privacy Policy and Assistance Division and the Family Compliance Division.
 - **Congressional letter on problems with Public Service Loan Forgiveness program** – More than 150 Members of Congress wrote a [letter to Education Secretary DeVos](#) on October 16 seeking answers to questions about the extremely low rate that the Department of Education (ED) is forgiving student loans under the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program. Last month, ED data showed that of more than 28,000 applications for loan forgiveness under the program, only 96 borrowers had been approved –less than 1% of all applicants. The [Government Accountability Office released a report](#) in September identified problems with ED’s outreach to borrowers and information to employers and servicers, and included recommendations for corrections.
- **Reminder: nominations to run for CEF’s 2019 Board** – [If you are interested in serving on CEF’s Board next year, please email your nomination form by November 15](#) to Claire Shanklin at Shanklin@CEF.org. The explanatory memo and nomination form are attached (the [Update](#) on October 4 lays out the process and specifics in detail).

- **CEF job board** – We are happy to post job vacancies for CEF members on the members-login part of the [CEF website](#). There are a number of openings, including:

- American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE) – [Assistant Director of Government Relations](#) and [Assistant Director of State Affiliate Relations and Advocacy](#)

II. Advocacy

- **Hill Teams meetings scheduled** – On Tuesday a group of six CEF's Hill Teams members met with Rep. Robert Aderholt's (R-AL) education staffer Megan Medley as the first of many meetings on FY 2020 education funding. Rep. Aderholt is one of several Republicans interested in replacing Rep. Rodney Frelinghuysen (R-NJ) as the Republican leader of the House Appropriations Committee next year. Megan reports that Rep. Aderholt is currently focused on enacting the FY 2019 agriculture appropriations bill (he is the chair of that subcommittee), and that [his education funding priorities include rural education, broadband access, afterschool programs, and career and technical education](#). She confirmed that discussions on what to do about raising the discretionary spending caps for FY 2020 spending are on hold until after the election when it is known which party will control the House of Representatives in the 116th Congress. [Hill Teams has a meeting scheduled with the office of Rep. Kay Granger \(R-TX\)](#) (staffer is Adrienne Walker) for November 14, and has meeting requests pending with the offices of Rep. Mike Simpson (R-ID) and Rep. Herrera Beutler.

III. Events

- **CEF's upcoming schedule** –
 - **Friday, Nov. 2 and Nov. 9** – [No Friday CEF meetings while Congress is in recess](#).
 - **Friday, Nov. 16, 9-11am, at AFSCME, 1625 L St, NW, 1st floor conference room**. Guest speaker: (tentative) Donni Turner, Senate Budget Committee Democratic staff.
 - **Friday, Nov. 23**
– [No CEF meeting while Congress is in recess for Thanksgiving](#).
 - **Friday, Nov. 30, 9-11am, at AASCU, 1307 New York Ave, NW, auditorium**. Guest speaker: TBD.
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CEF Nominations and Elections Procedures 2018 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 15, 2018.**
- 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 already 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 Claire Shanklin at CEF: Shanklin@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 November 30, 2018, 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 14, 2018.

- 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 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 after their presence is confirmed during the meeting.
- 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

2018 Committee on Nominations & Elections

Official Candidate Profile

Deadline: Due to CEF by COB on November 15, 2018

E-mail: Shanklin@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:

Candidate Statement:

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