



Thursday, December 13, 2018

## I. CEF elects its 2019 Board elections and approves its budget

- **Annual meeting update** – Thanks to everyone who attended or called into this morning's Annual Meeting. In addition to a great conversation with Mike Gentile of the Senate Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Subcommittee, we reviewed CEF's 2018 activities and outlined exciting plans for 2019. CEF's committees will start working on the plans at the membership retreat/first quarterly committee meeting on January 25. We form our committees anew each year so that's your first opportunity to sign up to participate on as many or as few as you'd like. In addition, the full membership approved CEF's proposed budget for 2019 (sent to you yesterday) and elected new members to the Board of Directors.
- **2019 Board of Directors** – The full membership approved the slate of Board nominees (also attached to yesterday's update) recommended by the Committee on Nominations and Elections. In addition to those elected, the CEF president appoints two Board members. CEF's 2019 President, Stephanie Giesecke of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU), announced that she is appointing Zach Scott of the National Association of Secondary School Principals and Jon Fansmith of the American Council on Education. The resulting complete Board is listed below.

### CEF 2019 Board of Directors

#### Officers (serving a one-year term in 2019):

- President: Stephanie Giesecke, National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities
- Vice President: Valerie C. Williams, National Association of State Directors of Special Education
- Treasurer: Luis Maldonado, Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities
- Past President: Jeff Carter, National Coalition for Literacy

#### Other board members (\* designates those starting two-year terms in 2019):

- \* Kelly Broughan, Teach for America
- Sarah Cohen, American Federation of Teachers
- \* Jon Fansmith, American Council on Education
- Jim Gelb, California State University
- \* Emmanuel Guillory, UNCF
- Cyndy Littlefield, Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities
- Noelle Ellerson Ng, AASA, The School Superintendents Association
- Stephen Payne, National Association of Student Financial Aid Officers
- \* Zach Scott, National Association of Secondary School Principals
- Kelly Vaillancourt Strobach, National Association of School Psychologists
- \* Corey Williams, National Education Association

\*Kathryn Zekus, Advance CTE

- **Thank you!** – I am excited about the plans we have for 2019, when CEF is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. CEF is fortunate to have so many knowledgeable and effective advocates willing to donate their time on the Board, on the various committees, and all our events and projects, not the least of which is the production of our renowned Budget Book. I appreciate all the hard work CEF members gave this year, and look forward to working with the 2019 Board and the entire CEF membership as we continue to work towards the common goal of increasing the federal investment in education.

My best,

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