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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Assessment Governing Board Quarterly Board Meeting

AGENCY: National Assessment
Governing Board, U.S. Department of
Education.

ACTION: Announcement of open and
closed meetings.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the
agenda for the May 12–14, 2016
Quarterly Meeting of the National
Assessment Governing Board (hereafter
referred to as Governing Board). This
notice provides information to members
of the public who may be interested in
attending the meeting or providing
written comments on the meeting. The
notice of this meeting is required under
§ 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory
Committee Act (FACA).

DATES: The Quarterly Board meeting
will be held on the following dates:

- May 12, 2016 from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- May 13, 2016 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- May 14, 2016 from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Statutory Authority and Function:
The National Assessment Governing
Board is established under Title III—
National Assessment of Educational
Progress Authorization Act, Public Law
107-279. Information on the Board and
its work can be found at www.nagb.gov.

The Board is established to formulate
policy for the National Assessment of
Educational Progress (NAEP). The
Board's responsibilities include the
following: Selecting subject areas to be
assessed, developing assessment
frameworks and specifications,
developing appropriate student
achievement levels for each grade and
subject tested, developing standards and
procedures for interstate and national
comparisons, improving the form and
use of NAEP, developing guidelines for

reporting and disseminating results, and
releasing initial NAEP results to the
public.

May 12–15, 2016 Committee Meetings

The Board's standing committees will
meet to conduct regularly scheduled
work, based on agenda items planned
for this quarterly Board meeting, and
follow-up items as reported in the
Board's committee meeting minutes
available at [http://nagb.gov/what-we-do/
board-committee-reports-and-
agendas.html](http://nagb.gov/what-we-do/board-committee-reports-and-agendas.html).

Detailed Meeting Agenda: May 12–15, 2016

*May 12: Assessment Development
Committee:* Closed Session: 8:30
a.m.–4:00 p.m.

May 12: Executive Committee: Open
Session: 4:30 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

May 13: Full Board Meeting:
Full Board: Open Session: 8:30 a.m.–
10:00 a.m.; Closed Session: 12:30
p.m.–2:00 p.m.; Open Session 2:30
p.m.–5:00 p.m.

May 13: Committee Meetings

*Assessment Development Committee
(ADC):* Open Session: 10:00 a.m.–
10:40 a.m.; Closed Session: 10:45
a.m.–12:15 p.m.

*Reporting and Dissemination Committee
(R&D):* Open Session 10:00 a.m.–12:15
p.m.

*Committee on Standards, Design and
Methodology (COSDAM):* Open
Session: 10:00 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

May 14: Full Board and Committee Meetings

Nominations Committee: Closed
Session: 7:30 a.m.–8:15 a.m.

Full Board: Open Session: 8:30 a.m.–
12:00 p.m.

On May 12, 2016, the Assessment
Development Committee will meet in
closed session from 8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
to review secure test items for U.S.
history, civics, geography at grade 8 for
the 2018 operational assessment;
reading at grades 4, 8, 12 for the 2019
pilot assessment; and mathematics at
grades 4 and 8 for the 2019 pilot
assessment. This meeting must be
conducted in closed session because the
test items are secure and have not been
released to the public. Public disclosure
of the secure test items would
significantly impede implementation of
the NAEP assessment program if
conducted in open session. Such
matters are protected by exemption 9(B)
of § 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

Thereafter, on May 12, the Executive
Committee will convene in open session
from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. to conduct
regularly scheduled work.

On May 13, the Full Board will meet
in open session from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00
a.m. The Board will review and approve
the May 12–15, 2016 Board meeting
agenda and meeting minutes from the
March 2016 Quarterly Board meeting.
This session will be followed by a report
from the Executive Director of the
Governing Board, William Bushaw,
followed by an update on the work of
the Institute of Education Sciences (IES)
provided by Ruth Neild, Deputy
Director for Policy and Research, IES.
The National Center for Education
Statistics (NCES) update will be
provided by the Acting Commissioner of
NCES, Peggy Carr. The Board will recess
for committee meetings at 9:45 a.m.
which are scheduled to take place from
10:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

The Committee on Standards, Design
and Methodology and the Reporting and
Dissemination (R&D) Committee will
meet in open session from 10:00 a.m. to
12:15 p.m.

The Assessment Development
Committee (ADC) will meet in open
session from 10:00 a.m. to 10:40 a.m.,
and thereafter in closed session from
10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. During the
closed session the ADC will continue its
review of secure NAEP reading test
questions in grades 4, 8, and 12 for the
2019 pilot assessment and mathematics
test questions at grades 4 and 8 for the
2019 pilot assessment. These test
questions have not been released to the
public. Disclosure of the secure NAEP
items would significantly impede
implementation of the NAEP assessment
program if conducted in open session.
Such matters are protected by
exemption 9(B) of § 552b(c) of Title 5
U.S.C.

The Committee on Standards, Design
and Methodology (COSDAM) will meet
in open session from 10:00 a.m. to 12:15
p.m.

Following the committee meetings, on
May 13, the full Board will meet in
closed session from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00
p.m. to receive a briefing and discuss
the 2015 NAEP Science Report Card.
Results from the science assessment—
national results at grades 4, 8, and 12
and state results at grades 4 and 8 have
not been released to the public.
Following the science presentation, the
Board will receive a briefing on the 2015
mathematics results for Puerto Rico at
grades 4 and 8, which have not been
released to the public. Premature
disclosure of the results would
significantly impede implementation of
the NAEP assessment program if
conducted in open session. Such
matters are protected by exemption 9(B)
of § 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

On May 13, from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., the Board will meet in open session to discuss the Department of Education's STEM initiative.

This session will then be followed by an update on the Board's Strategic Plan, followed by breakout sessions convened to discuss the Strategic Plan in small groups of Board members. Members of the public are welcome to observe the breakout sessions. The May 13 session of the Board meeting will adjourn at 5:00 p.m.

On May 14, the Nominations Committee will meet in closed session from 7:30 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. The Nominations Committee will receive an update on the status of the nominations for terms beginning in October 2016. The committee will then discuss planning for the Board's annual call for nominations for Board terms beginning in October 2017. The 2017 call for nominations is scheduled to start in September 2016. The Nominations Committee's discussions pertain solely to internal personnel rules and practices of an agency and information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. As such, the discussions are protected by exemptions 2 and 6 of § 552b(c) of Title 5 of the United States Code.

The full Board will meet in open session on May 14, from 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. to discuss the Governing Board's preparedness research program. Thereafter, from 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. the Board will receive an update on committee reports and take action on the release plan for the 2016 NAEP Science Report Card. From 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., the Board will receive briefings from each breakout session (convened on Friday to discuss the Board's Strategic Plan) and discuss next steps. The May 14, 2016 meeting is scheduled to adjourn at 12:00 p.m.

Access to Records of the Meeting: Pursuant to FACA requirements, the public may also inspect the meeting materials at www.nagb.gov on Thursday, May 13, 2016 by 10:00 a.m. ET. The official verbatim transcripts of the public meeting sessions will be available for public inspection no later than 30 calendar days following the meeting.

Reasonable Accommodations: The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. If you will need an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the meeting (e.g., interpreting service, assistive listening device, or materials in an alternate format), notify the contact person listed in this notice at least two weeks before the scheduled meeting date. Although we will attempt to meet

a request received after that date, we may not be able to make available the requested auxiliary aid or service because of insufficient time to arrange it.

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William J. Bushaw,

Executive Director, National Assessment Governing Board (NAGB), U. S. Department of Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Service Contract Inventory for Fiscal Year (FY) 2015

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of availability—FY 2015 Service Contract Inventory.

SUMMARY: Through this notice, the Secretary announces the availability of the Department of Education's service contract inventory on its Web site, at <http://www2.ed.gov/fund/data/report/contracts/servicecontractinventoryappendix/servicecontractinventory.html>. A service contract inventory is a tool for assisting an agency in better understanding how contracted services are being used to support mission and operations and whether the contractors' skills are being utilized in an appropriate manner.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pier Connors, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20202 by phone at 202-

245-6919 or email at Pier.Connors@ed.gov.

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf or a text telephone, call the Federal Relay Service, toll free, at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 743 of Division C of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2010, Public Law 111-117, requires civilian agencies, other than the Department of Defense, that are required to submit an inventory in accordance with the Federal Activities Inventory Reform Act of 1998 (Pub. L. 105-270, 31 U.S.C. 501 note) to submit their inventories to the Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP) in the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) by December 31, 2015. In addition, section 743 requires these agencies, which include the Department of Education, to (1) make the inventory available to the public, and (2) publish in the **Federal Register** a notice announcing that the inventory is available to the public along with the name, telephone number, and email address of an agency point of contact.

Through this notice, the Department announces the availability of its inventory on the following Web site: <http://www2.ed.gov/fund/data/report/contracts/servicecontractinventoryappendix/servicecontractinventory.html>. The point of contact for the inventory is provided under the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section in this notice.

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