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AGENDA ITEM: Board Member Report on National Association of State School
Boards ("NASBE") annual conference

Last month, I attended the National Association of State School Boards' ("NASBE") Annual Conference in Denver, Colorado from October 17 through 20, 2018. NASBE's Annual Conference is the largest gathering of state board of education members in the nation. The conference covered topics such as equity, school safety, social and emotional learning, and arts education.

The Hawaii Board of Education recently became members of NASBE. Attached is material from the conference that highlights NASBE's mission, core values, goals, and areas of opportunity.

NASBE

National Association of
State Boards of Education

Mission Statement

NASBE develops, supports, and empowers citizen leaders on state boards of education to strengthen public education systems so students of all backgrounds and circumstances are prepared to succeed in school, work, and life.

Core Values

We believe in equity and excellence:

We believe that students of all races, genders, and circumstances deserve the supports they need to thrive in school.

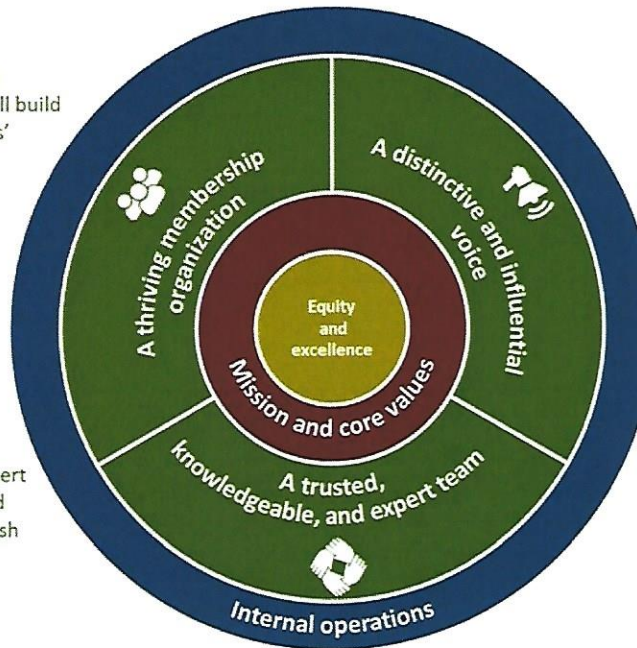
We believe all students can learn at high levels and must have the opportunity to do so through state policies that address their diverse learning needs.


- **We prioritize state leadership of public education:** We believe that state boards of education, in partnership with chief state school officers, governors, and legislatures, are best positioned to craft, promote, and oversee state education policies.
- **We empower citizen leaders:** We build the capacity of state board members to question, convene, and act boldly with and for students, educators, and families.
- **We elevate evidence in policymaking:** We ground our resources, tools, and services in the strongest evidence available and help our members make informed decisions in the best interest of students.
- **We build community:** We facilitate productive dialogue and nonpartisan exchange among members with diverse perspectives, creating lasting channels for the sharing of evidence-based strategies and solutions.
- **We collaborate:** We promote respectful collaboration, both among our members and between our members and the broader education community.

NASBE Goals and Areas of Opportunity


A thriving membership organization: NASBE will build on knowledge of boards' policy goals to recruit, retain, and engage members and attract robust regional and national funding to advance those goals.


A trusted, knowledgeable, and expert team: NASBE will attract, develop, and retain expert personnel who lead and collaborate to accomplish organizational and individual goals in an excellent way.




A distinctive and influential voice: NASBE will amplify the collective voice of state boards of education by increasing recognition of boards as the stable center of state education governance and empowering members to lead and advocate in states and nationally.

Member service	Development of citizen leaders	National and state influence	Sustainable and effective operations	Pursuit of equity
<p>NASBE must meet the needs of an expanded cohort of new board members starting in 2019. NASBE must ensure that incoming state board members experience value in exchange for their dues.</p>	<p>Those serving on our member boards are dedicated citizen leaders, often serving in a volunteer capacity. As board demographics change and transitions occur, NASBE's most valuable contribution remains to develop these citizen leaders.</p>	<p>NASBE has significant influence in Washington. Given the pressure state boards face to unite state policymakers around ambitious education agendas, NASBE could increase our impact by helping member boards assert their role as policy leaders.</p>	<p>Like all nonprofit organizations, NASBE must continue to ensure our financial sustainability by securing diverse sources of revenue. We also must continue to develop our expertise and collaborate with trusted partners to best serve member needs.</p>	<p>All of our stakeholders emphasize the importance of equity as one of NASBE's foremost values. However, NASBE must better articulate our approach to equity.</p>