Minutes
National Policy Board for Educational Administration
September 22, 2003
Washington, D.C.

Member Representatives Present

AACTE – David Imig (chair)
ASCD – Agnes Crawford
NAESP – Vincent Ferrandino
NASSP – Richard Flanary
NCATE – Arthur Wise
NCPEA – Theodore Creighton
NSBA – Julie Underwood
UCEA – Michelle Young and Frances Kochan

NPBEA – E. Joseph Schneider (executive secretary)

Guests: Honor Fede, Educational Leadership Constituent Council; Robert Beach, NCPEA

Item 1 - Receipt of FY 2003 Audit Report

Secretary Schneider presented the audited financial position of the Policy Board as of June 30, 2003.

MOTION- WISE MOVED AND UNDERWOOD SECONDED A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE 2003 AUDIT REPORT FROM VISCARRA & ASSOCIATES. MOTION PASSED.

Item 2 - Status of NPBEA

Secretary Schneider presented an hour-long PowerPoint presentation that reviewed the history that led to the creation of the Policy Board (see enclosure). His presentation led to a spirited discussion about the current status of the profession, about the current viability of the Policy Board, about the pros and cons of continuing it, and issues it needed to address if it intended to continue. The representatives present agreed to move ahead with the agenda and come back to the discussion before adjournment.

Item 3 – ELCC’s Request for Support

Richard Flanary, chair, Educational Leadership Constituent Council (ELCC), formally asked the parent NPBEA for financial support for the ELCC. Flanary said that on May
20, 2003, AASA, one of the chartering members of the ELCC, notified the ELCC that it no longer intended to pay its share of the fees that enabled ELCC to function. AASA’s withdrawal placed the entire cost of the operation onto the other three charter members, ASCD, NAESP, and NASSP.

Given the fact the ELCC is a project of the NPBEA, Flanary said the ELCC decided to request funding from the NPBEA of $21,500 to replace AASA’s membership dues. Flanary suggested that the NPBEA might wish to name a representative and participate at ELCC meetings as a replacement for AASA.

MOTION – FLANARY MOVED AND FERRANDINO SECONDED. THE NATIONAL POLICY BOARD AGREES TO REPLACE AASA AS A PAYING MEMBER OF THE ELCC. MOTION TABLED.

Item 4 – NCATE’s Intent Regarding Institutional Reviews

The discussion of how NPBEA ought to respond to the request to finance the ELCC triggered a discussion of its relationship with NCATE. This resulted in a discussion of pending changes in the way NCATE intends to deal with the ELCC and other “SPAs” that review university departments as part of the accrediting process. The more insight NCATE President Art Wise shared with the participants, the more it became obvious that major changes were in the wind and that the entire ELCC process could be in for a shake-up. That is, NCATE was suggesting that it was seriously contemplating taking over some of the major duties now being done by the SPAs and changing the manner in which the reviews were being done. As significant, Wise said NCATE might be assessing its member associations, including members around the NPBEA table, for the costs of these new NCATE activities. This generated a discussion about how these new NCATE costs to NPBEA members would offset costs now being charged by the ELCC.

The NPBEA participants agreed that it appeared that the future of the ELCC was in flux given the potential changes in its relationship with NCATE. The NPBEA members were in general agreement that they wished to continue the functions performed by the ELCC, but would await the report from NCATE about potential changes in the functional relationship between NCATE and ELCC before deciding how to deal with the long-term implications for NPBEA involvement in the review process.

The NPBEA participants were mindful of the fact that the NPBEA might well host different points of view about the role of NCATE and the SPAs when it came to the review of departments of educational administration. That is, it is possible that the administrator organizations that constitute the ELCC might have a different point of view about the rigor of the review than the organizations representing the institutions being reviewed. Consequently, the participants around the table agreed that the NPBEA should have an opportunity to air their collective viewpoints when NCATE releases its recommendations for changes in the way ELCC (and other SPAs) conduct reviews.

Two motions grew out of the discussion.
MOTION – FERRANDINO MOVED AND CRAWFORD SECONDED. THE NATIONAL POLICY BOARD AGREES TO PROVIDE THE EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONSTITUTE COUNCIL $21,500 IN FISCAL YEAR 2004 (THROUGH JUNE 30, 2004) TO SUPPORT ITS ACTIVITIES. THE NPBEA CHAIR MAY SELECT A NPBEA REPRESENTATIVE TO PARTICIPATE IN ELCC MATTERS AS A REPLACEMENT FOR THE AASA REPRESENTATIVE. MOTION PASSED.

MOTION – UNDERWOOD MOVED AND WISE SECONDED. THE NPBEA PARTICIPANTS REITERATE THEIR COMMITMENT TO THE PRINCIPLES THAT BROUGHT THEIR ORGANIZATIONS TOGETHER IN THE FORMATION OF THE NATIONAL POLICY BOARD; FURTHERMORE, THE PARTICIPANTS WISH TO COLLABORATE ON FUTURE PROJECTS TO ADVANCE THE PROFESSION, INCLUDING THOSE ADVANCED BY SECRETARY SCHNEIDER IN HIS PRESENTATION OF THIS DATE (SEE ENCLOSURE); AND THE PARTICIPANTS WISH TO ENSURE THE CONTINUATION OF THE ELCC TO HAVE INPUT ON THE ABILITY OF COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES TO TRAIN INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERS. MOTION PASSED.

Item 5 – Recommendation from UCEA’s National Commission

Michelle Young, executive director of the University Council for Educational Administration, delivered a set of recommendations to NPBEA that were prepared at the second meeting of UCEA’s National Commission for the Advancement of Educational Leadership Preparation. The recommendations are responsive to a request from NPBEA to five specific charges (see enclosed recommendations).

MOTION. UNDERWOOD MOVED AND CREIGHTON SECONDED. THE NPBEA RECEIVES THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM UCEA’S NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PREPARATION AND ACKNOWLEDGES WITH APPRECIATION UCEA’S LEADERSHIP EFFORTS.

Item 6 – Next Steps for NPBEA

The participants returned to a discussion of the future of NPBEA. Schneider reported that the association had not collected dues for two years and that he did not recommend assessing dues for the coming fiscal year, given the lack of agreement about a program plan. The participants agreed.

The participants decided that they would need two committees to work on concurrent issues. One was financial and one was program. A flurry of motions followed:
MOTION – YOUNG MOVED AND FLANARY SECONDED. THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES FOR TEACHER EDUCATION SHALL BE DESIGNATED THE FISCAL AGENT FOR THE NPBEA EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2003, AND AS SUCH SHALL BE THE CORPORATE TREASURER FOR NPBEA. MOTION PASSED.

The Bylaws allow the NPBEA chair to name the Corporate Secretary. Chair David Imig, president of AACTE, said it was his intent to retain Joe Schneider as Corporate Secretary. In addition, Ira Thomas of the AACTE will provide staff support to the NPBEA effort.

MOTION – FERRANDINO MOVED AND WISE SECONDED. THE NPBEA PARTICIPANTS CONCUR WITH THE APPOINTMENT BY CHAIRMAN IMIG OF JOSEPH SCHNEIDER TO AN EXTENDED APPOINTMENT AS CORPORATE SECRETARY OF THE POLICY BOARD. MOTION PASSED.

Chairman Imig then announced the following committee appointments:

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The participants agreed that the NPBEA needed both a program plan and a financial plan before any future consideration of its future.

Respectfully submitted:

E. Joseph Schneider