SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

AGENDA ITEM XI-G (1)

<u>Consideration of approving the appointment of member(s) to the Advisory Council on</u>
Postsecondary Education for Persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

RECOMMENDATION: Approval

Background Information:

The Texas Education Code, Section 61.06641, directs the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) to establish an advisory council to periodically review the policies and practices that increase access to higher education opportunities for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). THECB staff requests appointment of new members to the Advisory Council on Postsecondary Education for Persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.

The council is composed of 16 members with expertise in postsecondary opportunities for persons with IDD. Recommendations for membership positions were selected from nominations by the Texas Workforce Commission, the Texas Education Agency, and the Texas Governor's Committee on People with Disabilities. Members represent higher education IDD programs at the two- and four-year levels, students, parents, and advocacy groups. Members serve two-year terms and elect a presiding officer to serve a two-year term. The council meets four times per year as called by the presiding officer.

The nominees for a new term are attached with current roles and organizations represented.

Jerel Booker, Assistant Commissioner for College Readiness and Success, is available to answer questions.

Advisory Council on Postsecondary Education for Persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDDAC) Member List January 2022

Current/Past Presiding Officer

Christine Price STEPS Coordinator Austin Community College

Sandye Cox ESC Consultant

Region 10 Education Service Center

Taylor Fidler Director

Connections for Academic Success and

Employment (CASE)
Texas Tech University

Ashley Ford

Deputy Director of Public Policy & Advocacy

The Arc of Texas

Elizabeth Fuller

Student

Texas Tech University

Tracy Glass
Program Director

Postsecondary Access and Training in

Human Services (PATHS) Texas A&M University

Tiffany Grady
Graduate/Student
University of Houston

Jennifer Hines Program Specialist

State Neurodevelopmental Disorders

Texas Workforce Solutions

Linda Litzinger

Parent/Policy Specialist

Texas Parent to Parent Advocacy Network

Vickie Mitchell, Ed.D

Associate Professor, Special Education

Sam Houston State University

Susan Moraska

Director

Vocational Advancement and Social Skills Training (VAST) Academy Houston Community College

Ramonda Olaloye

Director

Office of Special Populations and Monitoring

Texas Education Agency

DJ Puente Student

South Texas College

Jolene Sanders Advocacy Director

Coalition of Texans with Disabilities (CTD)

Beth Stalvey, Ph.D. Executive Director

Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities

Agatha Thibodeaux

Parent/Governor Appointee

TEA Continuing Advisory Committee on

Special Education

Nina Zuna, Ph.D. Associate Director

Texas Center for Disability Studies
The University of Texas at Austin