MEMORANDUM

TO: School District Superintendents
School District Human Resource Directors
Regional Education Service Agency Directors
Utah Education Association
American Federation of Teachers/Utah
Utah Association of Elementary School Principals
Utah Association of Secondary School Principals
Utah Parents and Teachers Association

FROM: Ben Rasmussen, Executive Secretary
Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission

SUBJECT: Nomination to the Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission

DATE: April 25, 2022

State Superintendent Sydnee Dickson is soliciting nominations for positions on the Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission. UPPAC reviews investigative reports, holds hearings, considers evidence, and makes recommendations to the Utah State Board of Education on educator licensing. Three positions are open for three-year terms beginning on July 1, 2022. Two positions must be filled by licensed educators, one of which must be an educator whose primary responsibility is teaching. One position must be filled by an educator with a non-teaching assignment. One position must be filled by a community representative, nominated by the PTA. Educators with special education expertise are highly encouraged to apply.

A candidate nominates himself/herself by submitting a completed application form, a letter of interest, and a resume or C.V. Application materials are due on or before May 31, 2022 to:

Ben Rasmussen, Executive Secretary
Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission
ben.rasmussen@schools.utah.gov

The Superintendent and Board strive for a balanced representation from throughout the state when making appointments. Members who will continue to serve on the Commission are from the Juab, Murray, Provo, Davis, Granite, Salt Lake City, and North Sanpete School Districts. This does not rule out applicants from these districts; however, applicants from other areas of the state may be given preference. The Superintendent seeks gender, ethnic, and geographic diversity, as well as a balance between elementary and secondary representation. Applicants from charter, private, and parochial schools may also apply. Once an educator applies for the Commission, UPPAC staff will retain the application for consideration if vacancies arise, if the educator is not initially selected.

Please encourage outstanding educators in your schools and L.E.A.s to apply for positions on the Commission. Attached is a copy of the applications. There is an application for licensed educators and a separate application for community members.
The membership of this committee is even more critical and interesting due to current issues in educator ethics. Members of UPPAC may receive license renewal points for time spent in Commission meetings and hearings. You may make additional copies or you may print the information from our website, www.schools.utah.gov/policy/uppac. For further information, interested persons may contact me at ben.rasmussen@schools.utah.gov or (801) 538-7835.

Attachments