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SUBJECT

Idaho State Board of Education – Board Member Professional Development

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The February 17th Board Work Session will be dedicated to Board member professional development. Dr. Thomas C. Meredith, Senior Fellow, from the Association of Governing Boards (AGB) will facilitate the work session. Topics will include Board fiduciary duties, presidential evaluations, and compensation philosophy for presidents.

The work session will provide the Board with a unique opportunity to interact with an expert consultant. Dr. Meredith has served as a university president and as the head of three university systems. Most recently he served as Commissioner of Higher Education for Mississippi's university system of eight universities. In January 2002, he was appointed chancellor for the University System of Georgia, responsible for the state's 34 public colleges and universities. Prior to this appointment, he served as chancellor of the University of Alabama System, as well as president and professor of education at Western Kentucky University. He also was a vice chancellor at the University of Mississippi. He began his career as a high school teacher and later served as a high school principal. Dr. Meredith consults in the areas of presidential mentoring, development and performance appraisal (more than 70 presidents have reported to him); presidential compensation; leadership training; board development and self-evaluation; board relations; and multi-institutional system matters.

Dr. Meredith holds a BA from Kentucky Wesleyan College, an MA from Western Kentucky University, and an EdD from the University of Mississippi. He completed the Institute for Educational Management at Harvard University and the Higher Education Roundtable at Oxford University.

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on comments and questions from Board members about roles and responsibilities, the Executive Director determined that a professional development session would be beneficial. Providing this opportunity at this time will also allow the Board to discuss added processes to the presidential evaluations scheduled in May.

BOARD ACTION

This item is for informational purposes only. Any action will be at the Board's discretion.

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