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TO: Members, State Board of Education

FR: Deborah Franklin, Education Policy Consultant

RE: Item 40, English Learner Advisory Committee: Appointment of Members

At the September 2004 meeting of the State Board of Education, you will be asked to take action to appoint additional members to the English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC). Information about ELAC nominee Linda Gonzales was provided in the Item 40 agenda materials.

Below is information about three additional nominees for the ELAC. If the State Board acts to appoint the four nominees at the September meeting, the ELAC will have all 11 members. According to State Board policy, the Board President will then select a chair of the Committee and also determine the length of terms for the 11 members (either two or three years to establish staggered terms).

**Guillermo Gomez** is an Elementary Content Expert with the Los Angeles Unified School District. He has been a bilingual teacher, a literacy trainer, and an English language development instructor with the California Youth Authority. In his current assignment, Mr. Gomez designs ongoing support for English learners, develops training for parental involvement, and provides technical support to reading coaches.

**Anita Guzman-Turner** is a sixth grade teacher in Elk Grove Unified School District. She is on the district's Language Arts Steering Committee and has served on English learner and leadership committees. A former dancer with the Ballet Folklórico Tepatitan, she is a member of the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

**Aida Molina** is an administrator with the Bakersfield School District. She administers reading grants and supports principals, coaches, and teachers in the area of literacy. Ms. Molina has also been an elementary school principal, a district bilingual lead teacher, and a bilingual teacher in elementary grades. She is a member of the Association of California School Administrators and the California Association of Bilingual Education.