TO: ALL INDIAN AND NATIVE AMERICAN GRANTEES

FROM: BRENT R. ORRELL /s/
Acting Assistant Secretary

SUBJECT: Native American Employment and Training Council Call For Nominations

1. **Purpose.** To request Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Section 166 grantees to submit nominations for consideration by the Secretary of Labor for appointment to fill expiring terms of membership on the Native American Employment and Training Council (Council).

2. **References.** WIA, Section 166 (h)(4) and 41 CFR §102-3.30 (c).

3. **Background.** The current Council Charter was renewed for two years, effective June 26, 2007. The charter provides for approximately 21 members appointed for two years by the Secretary of Labor. Appointments for the following 13 members will expire on August 23, 2008:

   - **REGION I, BOSTON** (includes ME, VT, NY, NH, MA, RI, CT, NJ, and PR)
     Darrell Waldron

   - **REGION II, PHILADELPHIA** (includes DE, DC, MD, PA, VA, and WV)
     Ms. G. Anne Richardson

   - **REGION III, ATLANTA** (includes KY, NC, TN, MS, AL, SC, GA, and FL)
     Elkton Richardson

   - **REGION IV, DALLAS** (includes AR, CO, LA, MT, ND, NM, OK, SD, TX, UT, and WY)
     Dr. Rodney Stapp
     Mr. Paul Austin

   - **REGION V, CHICAGO** (includes IA, IL, IN, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, OH, and WI)
     Ms. V. Lana Samaniego
     Ms. Christine Molle
In reference to the Other Discipline memberships, the Federal Advisory Committee Act regulations (41 CFR), at §102-3.30 (c), requires advisory committees to have a balanced membership, in terms of the points of view represented and the functions to be performed. Factors to be considered in achieving such a membership depends upon several factors, including the committee’s mission, the geographic, or ethnic, social, economic, or scientific impact of the committee’s recommendations. Perspectives may be those of consumers, technical experts, the public at-large, academia, business, or other sectors.

Within this framework, and in addition to the regional representation, it is permissible for the composition of the Council to include individuals with certain expertise to assist in accomplishing its mission. These individuals, all members of the Council, must be representative of Indian Tribes, Tribal organizations, Alaska Native entities, Indian-controlled organizations serving Indians, or Native Hawaiian organizations. In nominating Other Discipline representatives, the factors described above must be considered.

4. Action. The Secretary of Labor may consider nominations for appointments to the Council as submitted by the grantee communities. All members listed above are still eligible for nomination. The Indian and Native American Programs will accept nominations electronically submitted to the Designated Federal Official (DFO), Evangeline M. Campbell, at campbell.evangeline@dol.gov or by fax at (202) 693-3817. Please include a biography and resume of the nominee along with the form. If appropriate, the nominee may submit their information.
In addition, include the contact information for the individual submitting the nomination. This information should be mailed to:

U.S. Department of Labor
Indian and Native American Programs
Employment and Training Administration
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Room S-4209
Washington, D.C. 20210
Attention: Mrs. Evangeline M. Campbell, DFO

All nominations must be submitted (U.S. Postmarked or electronically dated (E-mail)) no later than 45 calendar days, excluding any Federal holidays, from the date of this guidance. Please submit Council nominations on the attached form. Nominations may also be sent by commercial carrier to the above address.

Grantee (including those designated as Public Law 102-477) representatives in Regions I, II, III, IV, V, and VI may submit nominations for expiring memberships in their areas only.

The Department of Labor (the Department) will accept nominations from all grantees to fill seats on the Council representing “Other Discipline” memberships. Indian tribes and Indian, Alaskan Native, and Native Hawaiian organizations that do not administer a Section 166 grant may also submit nominations. Public Law 102-477 grantee representatives are eligible for appointment to the Council. Self-nominations will be accepted.

In submitting nominations, consider the availability of the nominee to attend and actively participate in Council meetings (a minimum of two meetings annually), serve on Council workgroups, and provide feedback to the grantee community. Communication between the Council member and his or her constituency is essential to the partnership between the Department and the Indian and Native American community.


6. Attachment(s). Council Nomination Form.
Please complete the nomination form and return to the Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Workforce Investment, Indian and Native American Programs postmarked no later than **45 calendar days from the date on this guidance.**

**NOMINATIONS**

**REGION I MEMBER:** ____________________________________ Term expires (date)
(Only Region I grantees and organizations may nominate for this appointment.)

**REGION II MEMBER:** __________________________________ Term expires (date)
(Only Region II grantees and organizations may nominate for this appointment.)

**REGION III MEMBER:** _________________________________ Term expires (date)
(Only Region III grantees and organizations may nominate for this appointment.)

**REGION IV MEMBERS:** _________________________________ Term expires (date)
(Only Region IV grantees and organizations may nominate for this appointment.)

**REGION V MEMBERS:** _________________________________ Term expires (date)
(Only Region V grantees and organizations may nominate for this appointment.)

**REGION VI MEMBERS:** _________________________________ Term expires (date)
(Only Region VI grantees and organizations may nominate for this appointment.)

**OKLAHOMA REGION:** __________________________________ Term expires (date)
(Only Oklahoma grantees and organizations may nominate for this appointment.)

**OTHER DISCIPLINE MEMBER:** __________________________ Term expires (date)
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*All grantees and organizations may nominate for these appointments.

All terms expire two years from the date of appointment by the Secretary of Labor.

Nominator’s Contact Information: