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UPCOMING INFO & EVENTS

107TH LEGISLATURE, 1ST SESSION Begins Wednesday, January 6, 2021

2020 STATE EDUCATION CONFERENCE GROWING GREATNESS

On Demand through December 31, 2020

http://members.nasbonline.org/index.php/state-education-conference

Don't Forget the Pre-Conferences ...

"Risk Dial Turned Red"

"A Silver Lining: Digital Learning in the COVID Era"

NEW BOARD MEMBER WORKSHOPS

Modules 3 & 4 Resume January 4 5:50 to 8:30 PM CT

At the Board Table - January 4, 5, 6 & 7 Board Leadership - February 1, 2, 3 & 4

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES CONFERENCE February 1 | Virtual

BOARD MEMBER SEATING AFTER AN ELECTION

MONDAY, JANUARY 4 - 1ST MONDAY OF THE MONTH TUESDAY, JANUARY 5 - 1ST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH THURSDAY, JANUARY 7 - TERMS EXPIRE ON THE FIRST THURSDAY AFTER THE FIRST TUESDAY

ANY MEETING HELD ON OR AFTER THURSDAY, JANUARY 7 WILL NEED TO HAVE THE SWEARING IN OF NEW MEMBERS AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS!

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Continue to check NASB's COVID-19 page for updates for you and your Board at www.NASBonline.org



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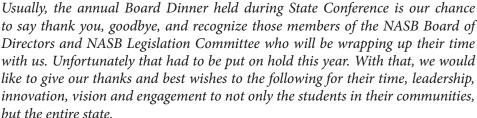
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Paul served as Region 10 Director from January 2017 to November 2020. He has been a member of the Heartland Board of Education since 2007.

KATHY DANEK - LINCOLN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Kathy first served as Region 4 Director from January 2002 to November 2005, before she became an NASB Officer, eventually serving as President in 2008. She again served as Region 4 Director from January 2016 to November 2020. Kathy received the Ann Mactier - School Board Member of the Year Award in 2018. She has been an active member of NASB's Legislation Committee, and served the Lincoln Board of Education for 20 years.

RICHARD DOHMA - PONCA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Richard served as Region 17 Director from January 2015 to November 2020. He has been a member of the Ponca Board of Education for 18 years.

LOU ANN GODING - OMAHA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Lou Ann has served as a member of NASB's Legislation Committee since 2017. She has also served on the EHA Board, and has been a member of the Omaha Board of Education for 6 years.

PATTI GUBBELS - NORFOLK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Patti served as Region 16 Director from January 2016 to November 2020. She will be leaving the NASB Board as she has been elected to now serve on the State Board of Education representing District 3. She has been an active member of NASB's Legislation Committee, and the Norfolk Board of Education since 2014.

LINDA RICHARDS - RALSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Linda previously served as Region 8 Director from January 2013 to November 2015, before she became an NASB Officer, serving as President in 2017. In addition to her service on the NASB Board of Directors, she has been a member of NASB's Legislation Committee as well. She was the recipient of the Ann Mactier - School Board Member of the Year Award in 2015, and has been a member of the Ralston Board of Education since 1994.

BARB SVOBODA - MULLEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Barb served as Region 15 Director from January 2019 to November 2020. While she will be leaving both the NASB Board, as well as her local Board, she will remain an active as a member of NASB's Nebraska Public Leadership Foundation Board. Barb has been a member of the Mullen Board of Education for 12 years.













YOUR 2021 ADVOCACY HANDBOOK IS NOW AVAILABLE SBOOK IS NOW AVAILABLE

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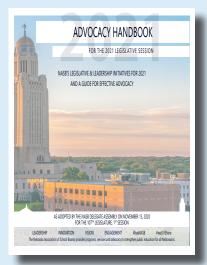
ADVOCACY HANDBOOK PAGE OF NASBONLINE.ORG

http://members.nasbonline.org/index.php/advocacy-handbook

With the official approvals taking place by you and your peer school board members at this year's Delegate Assembly, we are now able to post the 2021 Advocacy Handbook, to be used as a guideline during the upcoming Legislative Session which begins Wednesday, January 6th. The Advocacy Handbook includes NASB's legislative and leadership initiatives, as well as tips for effective advocacy and much more, is now available to view, download and print at the Government Relations section of the NASB website.

We look forward to working for and with you this session ... do not hesitate to reach out to NASB at anytime with questions on particular bills, initiatives, becoming more engaged, or the overall legislative process in general.

Matt, Colby, John & Vicki Your NASB Legislative Team



2020 STATE DUCATON ON FRENCE WINNERS

There were 5 winners of gift cards from the Gamification on Pathable during this year's State Conference:

1ST PLACE = \$200 VISA GIFT CARD
LaDonna Stanosheck, a board member from Osmond with 545 points

2ND PLACE = \$100 VISA GIFT CARD

Matt Blanchard, a board member from Raymond Central with 515 points

3RD PLACE = \$100 VISA GIFT CARD Ginger Meyer, superintendent @ Chadron with 455 points

4TH PLACE = \$100 VISA GIFT CARD
Harlan Ptomey, superintendent @ Cedar Bluffs with 440 points

5TH PLACE = \$100 VISA GIFT CARD Lisa Wagner, board member @ Central City with 425 points

Points were earned through adding a profile picture, joining a virtual trade show live meeting, watching an exhibitor/sponsor video, downloading exhibitor/sponsor files, and adding sessions to their agendas.

Now is your last chance to view the 2020 Virtual State Education Conference. All of the content will be viewable until December 31. Enjoy this learning opportunity from the comfort of your own home!

NA 2021 LEGISLATIVE ISSUES CONFERENCE - WE LIVE HERE

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FEBRUARY 1 | VIRTUAL

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR THE 2021 VIRTUAL LEGISLATIVE ISSUES CONFERENCE MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1 | 9:00 AM TO 1:00 PM

With limitations to the number of people allowed in conference rooms, as well as the Senators themselves scaling back their in-person speaking engagements this Session, this year's Legislative Issues Conference will be a live & interactive Zoom filled with information presented by Legislative Leaders, key Committee Chairs, and NASB Leadership. Learn about the Legislature's priorities within Education and how NASB is engaging, as well as how NASB is supporting you to tell your school spending story through the #weLIVEhere campaign. School spending continues to be a hot topic and we'll need those who live in, and represent their communities to be ready to tell their unique, individual story.

Be sure to register by Thursday, January 28th



AGENDA Welcome Hot Topics for 2021 School Spending Narrative & Data Featured Speakers















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SUPERINTENDENT PAY TRANSPARENCY ACT

As we continue to maneuver through unchartered territory of governance during the pandemic and beyond, the Board Leadership team continues to share supporting resources to assist board members and superintendents in planning for the days to come. As you embark upon contract negotiations with your superintendent, it is important you are in compliance with the Superintendent Pay Transparency Act.

Superintendent/ESU Administrator approved contracts and amendments are to be filed with the Nebraska Department of Education by August 1 each school year. Updated contracts/amendments may be uploaded at any time. Note: If the school district and/or ESU has a change during the school year, NDE requires that the old contract and amendments be removed and updated with the new contract and supporting documentation.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

For each school district and Educational Service Unit, a separate identification and description of all current and future costs of the contract that are reasonably anticipated as a result of any contract, and any adopted amendments, for

services rendered by the superintendent or ESU Administrator, must be included in the budget statement and reported to the Auditor of Public Accounts (APA) per statute.

Note: If the school district and/or ESU has a change in the superintendent or ESU Administrator during the school year, the respective district or ESU must update the information with NDE and post according to the guidelines outlined above. Remove the old information including contracts and/or amendments and update with the new contract.

- § 79-2402. School board; board of educational service unit; contract or amendment; publication; contents; contract approval; publication.
- (1) Before the school board of any school district or the board of any educational service unit approves a proposed contract, or any proposed amendment to an existing contract, for future superintendent services to be rendered to such school district by the current superintendent or future administrator services to be rendered to such educational service unit by the current

SUPERINTENDENT PAY TRANSPARENCY ACT STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS [§79-2402 through §79-2405]		
Step I. Board Notice to Public	REQUIRED TIMELINE AND ACTION OF THE BOARD	
(Prior to Board Action.) CURRENT Superintendent or ESU Administrator	At least three days before the Board Meeting: Publish/Post Meeting Notice to approve proposed contract or amendment to the contract that provides detailed contract costs, date, time, and location of the Board Meeting. Publish/Post a (PDF) of the proposed contract or amendment. Publish in a newspaper or post the proposed contract or amendment and proposed costs on the school district website in a prominent location that is accessible to the public.	

Step II. Board Notice to Public	REQUIRED TIMELINE AND ACTION OF THE BOARD
(Following Board Action.) NEW HIRE of a Superintendent or ESU Administrator	At least two days following board action to approve the contract or amendment: Publish/Post a (PDF) of the approved contract or amendment. Publish/Post the contract/amendment costs for current year and estimate of costs for future years of the contract. Publish in a newspaper or post the contract or amendment and complete proposed cost information on the school district website in a prominent location that is accessible to the public.
Step III.	DISTRICT/ESU ADMINISTRATOR
Administrator	RESPONSIBILITIES FOLLOWING BOARD ACTION
Annually, on or before August	The school district Superintendent or ESU Administrator will submit a (PDF) copy of the approved contract or contract with amendment through the Consolidated Data Collection (CDC) in the NDE Portal. Instructions for filing may be found at: https://cdc.education.ne.gov/STPA/Instructions/STPA_Instructions.pdf
Annually, on or before	The school district Superintendent or ESU Administrator will submit Budget Schedule D with the
September 20th	budget documents.
Annually, on October 1	NDE will withhold state and local funds for those districts/ESUs that have not submitted their approved contract/contract with amendment for the current year.

administrator, the board shall publish a copy of such proposed contract or amendment, and a reasonable estimate and description of all current and future costs to the school district or educational service unit if the proposed contract or amendment were to be approved, at least three days before the meeting of the board at which such proposed contract or amendment will be considered. Such publication shall also specify the date, time, and place of the public meeting at which the proposed contract or amendment will be considered. Electronic publication on the web site of the school district or educational service unit shall satisfy the requirement of this subsection if such electronic publication is prominently displayed and allows public access to the entire proposed contract or amendment.

(2) After the school board of any school district or the board of any educational service unit approves a contract for future superintendent services to be rendered to such school district by a new superintendent or future administrator services to be rendered to such educational service unit by a new administrator, the board shall publish a copy of such contract, and a reasonable estimate and description of all current and future costs to the school district or

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educational service unit that will be incurred as a result of such contract, within two days after the meeting of the board at which such contract was approved. Electronic publication on the web site of the school district or educational service unit shall satisfy the requirement of this subsection if such electronic publication is prominently displayed and allows public access to the entire contract. (Source Laws 2014, LB470, § 3.)

§ 79-2403. Contract or amendment; filing with State Department of Education; public posting.

After approval of a contract, or any amendments thereto, for superintendent services or educational service unit administrator services, the approving board shall file a copy of such contract or amendment with the State Department of Education on or before the next succeeding August 1. The department shall have no duty to review such contracts or amendments but shall publicly post all such contracts or amendments received on the web site of the department. (Source Laws 2014, LB470, § 4.)

§ 79-2404. Failure to file approved contract or contract amendment; Commissioner of Education; withhold funds; duties; county treasurer; duty.

If the school board of any school district or the board of any educational service unit fails to timely file a copy of an approved contract, or contract amendment, for superintendent services or educational service unit administrator services with the State Department of Education as required in section 79-2403, the Commissioner of Education, after notice to the board president and either the superintendent or educational service unit administrator and an opportunity to be heard, shall direct that any state aid granted pursuant to the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act to the school district or core services and technology infrastructure funds granted pursuant to section 79-1241.03 to the educational service unit be withheld until such time as the contract or amendment is received by the department. In addition, the commissioner shall direct each county treasurer of a county with territory in the school district or educational service unit to withhold all money belonging to the school district or educational service unit until such time as the commissioner notifies such county treasurer of receipt of such contract or amendment. Each such county treasurer shall withhold such money. For school districts that are members of learning communities, a determination of school money belonging to the school district shall be based on the proportionate share of property tax receipts allocated to the school district pursuant to section 79-1073 in addition to the other property tax receipts belonging to the school district. If the board does not comply with this section prior to October 1 following the school fiscal year for which the state aid or core services and technology infrastructure funding was calculated, the funds shall revert to the General Fund. The amount of any reverted funds shall be included in data provided to the Governor, the Appropriations Committee of the Legislature, and the Education Committee of the Legislature in accordance with section 79-1031. (Source Laws 2014, LB470, § 5.)

§ 79-2405. Amendments to contracts; subject to act.

All amendments to a contract for superintendent services or educational service unit administrator services shall be subject to the Superintendent Pay Transparency Act, including, but not limited to, amendments involving salary increases or benefit changes. (Source Laws 2014, LB470, § 6.)

DATES FOR BOARD MEETING SEATING AFTER ELECTION Statute 79-4, 129

Tuesday, November 3, 2020 - Election Date

Friday, January 1, 2021 - 1st date of the new year

Monday, January 4, 2021 - 1st Monday of the month meetings

Tuesday, January 5, 2021 - 1st Tuesday in January 2021

Thursday, January 7, 2021 - Term expires on the first Thursday after the first Tuesday in January

Monday, January 11, 2021 - 2nd Monday of the month meetings

Any meetings held on or after Thursday, January 7 will need to have the swearing in of new members and election of officers.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Happy Holidays from the NASB Board Leadership Team! Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming Events

New Board Member Webinars – Registration Still Open Module III: January 4-7 Module IV: February 1-4

In-Person New Board Member Workshop - Date TBD



Thank you for the work you are doing for Nebraska's students. Your NASB Board Leadership Team - Marcia, Kori, Melissa, and Karla. Please call us if we can support you in any way 800-422-4572



AT THE BOARD TABLE

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January Board Meeting Topics

Mission, Vision, &	Annual Leadership Team Planning Meeting (Set Date); Strategic Plan Update; District Goals Update;
Goals	Annually review the District Mission, Vision, and Belief or Value Statements
	Adopt board committee assignments per board policy.
Policy Governance	Review Board Code of Conduct Policy.
	Resolution to re-adopt all existing policies.
	Appoint (superintendent or other qualified district employee) as Non-discrimination Compliance Coordinator to meet
	federal Equal Employment Opportunity requirements.
	Appoint the district's Title IX Coordinator.
Accountability & Student Achievement	District Report Card
	District Assurance Statement Corrections. On or before February 1 corrections of violations must be submitted in writing to the NDE Office of Accountability, Accreditation, and Program Approval. *Cross reference October.
Advocacy	Review <u>2021 Legislative Calendar</u> ; Review the NASB Advocacy Handbook; Legislative representative and contact information; Appoint a Legislative Committee to monitor and support district response and action;
District/ESU Resources [Budget]	Budget - Review Quarterly Financial Reports;
	Collective Bargaining on or before February 8. If an agreement is not reached, the parties shall submit to mandatory mediation or fact-finding as ordered by the commission, unless the parties mutually agree, in writing, to forgo mandatory mediation or fact finding. NOTE: The negotiations process begins in August. § 48-818.01
	Board Finance Committee Report;
Reports	Negotiations Committee; Superintendent; Administrators;
	Reorganization Meeting: Election of Officers
	The superintendent shall assume chairmanship of the meeting for the purpose of electing a board president. Ballots for
	officers may be cast in secret ballot but the total vote for each candidate shall be recorded by the secretary.
	Newly elected board members: Oath of Office
Board Operations	[2021 Timeframe – Board Members who did not seek election to the board for another term and/or were not elected to
	continue service to the board terms expire Thursday, January 7, 2021.
	*Note: The first Thursday after the first Tuesday of January.]
	Sign and file NADC [Conflict of Interest form] with School District Board Secretary
	Adopt Annual Board Calendar and Board Meeting Schedule for 2021.
Board – Superintendent Relations	Approve superintendent contract.
	*Transparency Act Guidelines:
	Current superintendents or ESU Administrators, before approval of contract/amendment, board must publish a cop
	of the proposed contract/amendment three (3) days before approval along with estimate and description of all costs. § 79
	<u>2402(1)</u> .
	New superintendents or ESU Administrators, the board must publish a copy of the contract two (2) days after the meeting at which the contract was approved, along with estimate and description of all costs. § 79-2402(2).
	Collaborate with superintendent/ESU Administrator to develop new/updated goals to align to evaluation.
Board Professional	NASB Board Leadership President's Retreat – See NASB Event Calendar
Development Development	NSBA Advocacy Institute – See NASB Event Calendar
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Project ECHO: Addressing Social Determinants Of Health (SDOH) In School Health

Save-the-Date: New series coming soon in January 2021. See information on the series page as it becomes available.

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PSC EXTENDS MILLION DOLLAR GRANT PROGRAM ASSOCIATION OF THE PROGRAM ASSOCIA

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Earlier in November, the Public Service Commission approved the extension of their \$1M grant to telecommunications carriers for connecting low-income subscribers to broadband for online learning.

There are still funds available to reimburse your student's carriers. Please go to your broadband providers and ask that they help your students so we may reach more kids needing broadband at home. More details are below:



The Nebraska Public Service Commission has entered an Order (NUSF-92 PO#10) that will continue to allow carriers to seek reimbursement for providing broadband service to low-income families affected by the COVID-19 emergency. In March the Commission allocated \$1 million through the NUSF Broadband Adoption Program to assist carriers in providing low-income subscriber's access to broadband services to facilitate online learning through December 31.

"We hope extending this program will help carriers to continue to provide affordable broadband service to facilitate online learning for low-income subscribers," said Commission Chair Mary Ridder. "With three-quarters of a million dollars remaining in the program, we hope to incentivize carriers to continue to seek ways to ensure that the families most likely to have difficulty paying for internet, receive the service they need as we continue to cope with the effects of this health emergency."

Telecommunications carriers certificated as a local exchange carrier or registered with the Commission as a communications provider seeking reimbursement for this extended period may file requests consistent with the parameters of the program adopted in March at https://tinyurl.com/PSCNUSF92PO10.





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... ADVOCACY & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

The 2021 Legislative Session begins Wednesday, January 6th

The 2021 NASB Advocacy Handbook with all items approved by YOU at the Delegate Assembly is now posted.

Join us on February 1st for the annual Legislative Issues Conference.

Call Colby & Matt with any questions! #liveNASB #weLIVEhere

... ENERGY PURCHASING

The cold weather is back and districts are experiencing very high volumes of natural gas usage. Our NJUMP and CJUMP Interlocal gas purchasing program members have secured natural gas supplies for this year at very competitive rates. This is a good time to get in a request for the paperwork for purchase delegation agreements if you wish to join this program and take part in cost savings for the 2021-2022 heating season.

Contact lim to learn more!

... SEARCH, STRENGTHS & AWARDS

EDUCATION LEADERSHIP SEARCH SERVICE

Visit www.nasbsuptsearch.org to view upcoming deadlines: Leigh and Ponca

Contact Shari at sbecker@NASBonline.org for a proposal to facilitate a search for your next Superintendent/ESU Administrator

Contact Anne at asilknitter@NASBonline.org to hear about the online application process and discuss openings

GALLUP STRENGTHSFINDER

"You will excel only by maximizing your strengths, never by fixing your weaknesses." Don Clifton

Input describes people who are especially great at absorbing information.

Intellection describes people who thrive in the process of thinking.

- Shari -



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... ALICAP & INSURANCE

ALICAP recorded their Annual Membership Meeting, and the video is currently available on the member's section of the ALICAP website. If your district/ESU is a member of ALICAP, feel free to email Megan Boldt for your member login information. mboldt@NASBonline.org

Thanks, Megan!

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... TECHNOLOGY

DID YOU KNOW

Sparq Negotiations can create and print your staff contracts for you? Once you've settled and finalized your contract data, Sparq will utilize that updated information and create your contracts for each staff member.

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... POLICY

I often discuss board policies with other policy writers across the nation and it has become more common this past year for school boards to have to deal with members who frequently violate board policies themselves by ignoring chain of command, confidentialities, showing disrespect to others in meetings, and so on. School board members are not empowered to remove other board members from their seat on the board, so it is important to have both a policy that states expectations for a board code of ethics and one that sets out a process for dealing with ethical violations. Contact us at the Association if you need help with this topic during this challenging year of board governance.

Contact Jim to learn more!

... MEMBER ENGAGEMENT

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It was wonderful to get back out on the road in December and visit Bloomfield, Niobrara, Creighton, Wausa, Allen and Stanton.

Looking forward to visiting more districts in 2021!

Sharon

... BOARD LEADERSHIP

Check out "At the Board Table" on pages 6-8.

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IN-PERSON NEW BOARD MEMBER
WORKSHOP
Date TBD

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GROWING GREATNESS - REGISTRATION WILL STAY OPEN UNTIL DECEMBER 31 http://members.nasbonline.org/index.php/state-education-conference



JANUARY

NEW BOARD MEMBER WORKSHOPS | MODULES RESUME JANUARY 4 | 5:50 TO 8:30 PM CT

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http://members.nasbonline.org/index.php/new-board-member-workshops (CHOOSE ONE EVENING FROM EACH MODULE TO ATTEND)

FIRST DAY OF THE 2021 LEGISLATIVE SESSION | WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6

FEBRUARY

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AND BEYOND ...

NASB SUMMER CONFERENCE | JUNE 2-3

ALICAP WORKSHOPS | JUNE 15-16-17

AREA MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS | AUGUST TO SEPTEMBER

2021 STATE EDUCATION CONFERENCE | NOVEMBER 17-19

Board Presidents: Check your inbox each month for the monthly 'NASB Update' to include in your meeting agenda.

Please contact mbelka@NASBonline.org with any questions, or if you are not receiving them.

Access NASB's Covid-19 Resources page at http://members.nasbonline.org/index.php/news-resources/covid-19-resources

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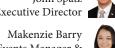
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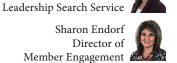




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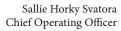


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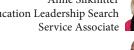


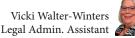
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