MEMORANDUM

From: SWDSI Strategic Planning Committee
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To: SWDSI members

Date: January 21, 2010

Subject: Outstanding Educator Award Selection Committee

The Outstanding Educator Award Selection Committee (OEASC) was created several years ago, but it has not been formally established as a standing committee. At the SWDSI Officers Meeting held in November during the 2009 DSI Conference in New Orleans, the SWDSI Strategic Planning Committee (SPC) submitted a proposal to establish the OEASC as a standing committee in SWDSI Bylaw 7.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to present the SPC proposal to the membership for consideration. Thus, the following addition to SWDSI Bylaw 7 is submitted for your approval. The deleted text has strikethrough; inserted text is red underlined.

The proposed change will be voted on at the SWDSI Business Meeting on March 4, 2010.

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BYLAW 7 -- COMMITTEES

2. Standing Committees.

(a) Distinguished Service Award Selection Committee. The Selection Committee will be composed of five members to be appointed by the incoming President. Of the five members, at least two members have to be selected from the Advisory Council and three members from the previous recipients of this Award. The President of the Southwest Region will appoint one of the previous recipients to serve as a chair.

(b) Outstanding Educator Award Selection Committee. The Selection Committee will be composed of five members to be appointed by the incoming President. Of the five members, at least two members have to be selected from the Advisory Council and three members from the previous recipients of this Award. The President of the Southwest Region will appoint one of the previous recipients to serve as a chair.
Committee on Nominations. The Committee on Nominations shall consist of three members appointed by the President. One of these members shall be the outgoing President who will serve as Chairperson of the committee. The persons appointed by the President shall serve until the next annual business meeting of the organization. A person may not serve for more than three years consecutively on this committee.

Strategic Planning Committee. The Strategic Planning Committee is responsible for leadership and coordination of long-term and short-term planning for the Southwest Region. The Strategic Planning Committee is composed of a Chair and up to three additional members who are former Past Presidents. All members are appointed by the President to serve until the next annual business meeting of the organization; members may be reappointed.