



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

August 14, 2017

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 16

GOVERNOR'S TEACHER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, teachers are highly skilled professionals who are essential to the success of our public schools in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, teachers work to support all students as they learn, develop, and grow; and

WHEREAS teachers are committed to working with a wide range of community organizations, businesses, and other partners to address students' educational potential and needs; and

WHEREAS teachers seek to develop the whole child, meeting the physical, social, and emotional needs of their students; and

WHEREAS, teachers strive to use cutting edge technology and innovative approaches to ensure that all students receive individualized instruction; and

WHEREAS, teachers pursue high quality professional development to bring best practices to the classroom; and

WHEREAS, teachers prepare students across North Carolina from pre-kindergarten through grade 12 to graduate from high school ready to pursue post-secondary education or a career; and

WHEREAS, it is important for teachers to share their specialized knowledge and skills to enhance public education and help public officials understand how the impact of their decisions affects the classroom;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and laws of the State of North Carolina, **IT IS ORDERED:**

Section 1. Establishment

The Governor's Teacher Advisory Committee ("Committee") is hereby established.

Section 2. Membership

- a. The Committee shall be composed of up to twenty-five members appointed by the Governor. Members shall be active classroom teachers and may include other educational support personnel serving in North Carolina public schools. Members should represent diverse demographic and geographic regions of the state, grade levels, and subject areas.
- b. Committee members shall serve terms of two years and may be reappointed to successive terms. Committee members serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
- c. The Governor's Teacher Advisor shall serve as the Chair of the Committee. The Committee shall select a Vice-Chair from its membership.

Section 3. Duties

Committee members shall have the following responsibilities:

- a. Advise the Governor regarding the impact of the following on teachers, students, and schools:
 - 1) state and federal education policies for pre-kindergarten through grade 12;
 - 2) local board of education policies that are not required by state or federal laws, policies or regulations;
 - 3) the state budget;
 - 4) proposed or pending state or federal legislation, policies or regulations; and
 - 5) other issues deemed appropriate by the Governor.
- b. Serve as Education Ambassadors for the Governor, including, but not limited to the following:
 - 1) representing the Governor at designated events;
 - 2) establishing and maintaining positive communications with local boards of education and education stakeholders for the purpose of sharing the Governor's education agenda; and
 - 3) sharing information about opportunities for the Governor to support teachers in their critical roles.
- c. Advise the Governor regarding other issues related to education as requested by the Governor.

Section 4. Meetings

- a. The Committee shall meet as a body of the whole once a quarter and at other times at the call of the Chair or the Governor. The Committee may conduct meetings using electronic conferencing or other electronic means.
- b. A simple majority of the Committee members shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting the business of the Committee.

Section 5. Administration

The Office of the Governor shall provide staff and administrative support services for the Committee.

Members shall serve without compensation, but may receive necessary travel and subsistence expenses in accordance with State law and the policies and regulations of the Office of State Budget and Management.

Section 6. Effect and Duration

This Executive Order is effective immediately. It supersedes and replaces all other executive orders on this subject and specifically rescinds Executive Order No. 26, dated September 3, 2013. This Executive Order shall remain in effect until August 14, 2021, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 147-16.2, or until rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in the City of Raleigh, this 14th day of August in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen.



Roy Cooper
Governor

ATTEST:



Elaine F. Marshall
Secretary of State

