MEMORANDUM

MEMO TO:  GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS AND SUPERINTENDENTS
FROM:      CHRIS KOTTERMAN, Director of Governmental Relations
DATE:     April 22, 2022
SUBJECT: SUBMISSION OF PROPOSED ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION FOR THE 2023 POLITICAL AGENDA

It is time once again to begin the process of developing the ASBA Political Agenda for the 2023 legislative session. Though we are still in the process of completing the 2022 session, it is never too early to start thinking about the association’s future priorities. It is our pleasure as your GR staff to facilitate this important process and we look forward to hearing your proposals.

As you know, your input to the Legislative Committee is critical. This year we ask that you take a moment to review the current 2022 Political Agenda and reaffirm your top five priorities. Furthermore, you may submit additional priorities you would like the Legislative Committee to consider. Click here to submit the form online or here to download the pdf version. Once submitted, these proposals will be compiled by staff and provided to the ASBA Legislative Committee for consideration. The Committee will then create a draft document that will be circulated to all governing boards and superintendents. This draft agenda will be the basis for discussion and final approval at the official Delegate Assembly on Saturday, September 10th. The timeline is as follows:

- Monday, May 23rd – Proposed Items Due
- Friday, June 3rd – Legislative Committee meets
- Week of June 20th – Legislative Committee recommendations sent to all governing board members and superintendents
- Saturday, September 10th – Delegate Assembly (Saturday morning following the Law Conference)

As a reminder, you should schedule this item on an upcoming Board agenda for discussion. Please remember, only one submission per District and it must reflect the collective will of the Board. These proposals are due by the close of business on Monday, May 23, 2022.

This document is a policy document. It is referred to as the “political agenda” within the ASBA bylaws, however you will note that the content is 100% focused on education policy issues within Arizona, and is used by the association to pursue public policy goals that support district schools across the state. The 2022 Delegate Assembly will determine the positions of the Arizona School Boards Association for any future Special Sessions of the current legislature and for the First Regular Session of the Fifty-Sixth Legislature. In addition to submitting proposals, your board can help craft ASBA’s advocacy stances by registering your district’s delegate. Your delegate will represent your district at the Delegate Assembly,
a critical meeting where the views of your district can be represented and discussed. The Delegate Assembly will be held on Saturday, September 10th at the JW Marriott Scottsdale Camelback Inn.

Thank you for your active participation in ASBA. If you have any questions, please call me directly at 602-254-1100 or 800-238-4701. You can also reach me by email at ckotterman@azsba.org. I am happy to answer any questions you may have. **Once again, all proposals are due by May 23, 2022.**