Non-Voting Student Representative
To The
THECB Advisory Committees

Background:

Section 61.071 of the Education Code requires the Coordinating Board to appoint non-voting student representatives to Coordinating Board advisory committees for a term not be less than two years. The student representative shall enjoy the same rights as other members of advisory committees, except the right to vote or be counted towards a quorum for official committee business. The student representative serves without compensation. However, the Coordinating Board strongly encourages the institutions to help defray the cost of travel incurred while a student serves.

Minimum Qualifications:
For initial consideration, nominees to all advisory committees below must meet the following minimum criteria:

- Be enrolled at a public institution of higher education;
- Be in good academic standing as determined by the institution;
- Commit to fulfill all advisory committee related responsibilities during their term of service, to include attendance at all advisory committee meetings;
- Have a strong drive and self-motivation to contribute to the progress of higher education in Texas.

If appointed, the student representative must continue to meet the following criteria for the length of their term:

- Maintain a GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale;
- Maintain enrollment at a public institution of higher education for duration of term; and
- Maintain a state-wide perspective on higher education (as opposed to representing any single college or university).

Available Advisory Committee Positions:

The Coordinating Board will consider a maximum of two nominees from each institution for the following advisory committee positions (nominees may only be considered for one advisory committee):

**ApplyTexas Advisory Committee**

**Purpose:** Revise and improve as needed a common admission application for use by a person seeking admission to a Texas institution of higher education. Any recommended changes are incorporated into the common application in August for the next application cycle.
Meetings: An estimated 2-4 times per year as needed, to include annual conference in June; conducted in Austin, TX.

Qualifications: Freshman, sophomore, or junior student enrolled at any institution of higher education in Texas; meet minimum qualification criteria above.

Available positions: One

Term: June 1, 2016 to May 31, 2018 (2 years)

Learning Technology Advisory Committee

Purpose: Review all proposed doctoral programs that will be offered at a distance and make recommendations regarding those programs to Coordinating Board staff. Also engage in substantive policy research and discussion and the development of policy recommendations regarding distance education.

Meetings: 4 times per year as needed conducted at the Coordinating Board in Austin, TX; additional interim meetings to consider doctoral programs as needed via webinar and conference call.

Qualifications: Freshman, sophomore, junior, or graduate student enrolled at any institution of higher education in Texas; meet minimum qualification criteria above.

Available positions: One

Term: June 1, 2016 to May 31, 2018 (2 years)

Graduate Education Advisory Committee

Purpose: Provide recommendations to Coordinating Board regarding graduate education in Texas.

Meetings: 2-4 times per year as needed; conducted at Coordinating Board in Austin, TX.

Qualifications: Graduate student enrolled at any institution of higher education in Texas; meet minimum qualification criteria above.

Available positions: One

Term: June 1, 2016 to May 31, 2018 (2 years)

Undergraduate Education Advisory Committee

Purpose: Provide recommendations to Coordinating Board regarding undergraduate education in Texas.

Meetings: 2-4 times per year as needed; conducted at Coordinating Board in Austin, TX.
Qualifications: Freshman, sophomore or junior student enrolled at any institution of higher education in Texas; meet minimum qualification criteria above.

Available positions: One

Term: June 1, 2016 to May 31, 2018 (2 years)

The Financial Aid Advisory Committee

Purpose: Assist the Coordinating Board in proposing changes to state financial aid program rules and policies as needed and in developing information provided by the Center for Financial Aid Information.

Meetings: 2-4 times per year as needed; conducted at Coordinating Board in Austin, TX.

Qualifications: Freshman, sophomore, or junior student enrolled at any institution of higher education in Texas; meet minimum qualification criteria above.

Available positions: Not at this time (will seek nominations in August 2016)

Term: June 1, 2017 to May 31, 2019 (2 years)

*The Financial Aid Advisory Committee is not seeking nominations fall of 2015