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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1996-present

Executive Director
NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION
NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARDS FOUNDATION

Job Responsibilities

- directs 130 member staff
- manages consolidated budgets of \$18.6 million (2 corporations)
- develops strategic plans, goal setting and budgets
- testifies before Congress in areas of top priority to association
- speaks to internal (53 state and territorial organizations) and external audiences
- serves as a media spokesperson for the organization
- seeks corporate and foundation support for NSBA programs
- reports to two NSBA boards and is ex officio member of each

NSBA is a federation of 53 state and territorial organizations, dedicated to advancing education through citizen governance of public schools. The federation reaches 15,500 school board districts, including 95,000 school board members.

The NSB Foundation was launched in 1995 to encourage and prepare local school board members to become catalysts for educational change and agents for systemic reform in the public schools (so that all students will be prepared to meet the challenges of tomorrow.) Its focus for 1998-2000 is on technology and learning, urban education, and research on school governance .

NSBA incorporates several strategically aligned organizations, the Council of Urban Boards of Education, Council of School Attorneys (3000 lawyers who serve school districts), and the National Caucus of Black School Board Members and the National Caucus of Hispanic School Board Members of NSBA.

1986-1996:

Executive Director
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN
AAUW EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION
AAUW LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND

AAUW has a membership of 160,000 college and university graduates, a local branch (chapter) system in 1700 communities, and 850 college and university members. It is one of the oldest and largest women's organizations devoted to advancing equity and education for women and girls. The AAUW Educational Foundation and Legal Advocacy Fund are the philanthropic arms of the organization together there are 120 staff and total budgets for all three corporations of \$14.4 million.

The American Association of University Women, founded in 1881, focuses on promoting education and equity for women and girls. Through its national, state and local organizations it works on such issues as: educational reform, civil rights, equal pay for equal work, reproductive rights and vocational and higher education.

The AAUW Educational Foundation awards fellowships, research and community action grants to women scholars, public school teachers and community organizations. The Foundation administers a \$2.8 million annual program and grant budget in support of four primary activities:

- 1) Since 1888 scholastic fellowships provided annually to over 200 American and International women scholars who receive support for doctoral and post doctoral study (average grant \$12,000 per year).
- 2) Since 1990, research commissioned for such studies as: Shortchanging Girls, Shortchanging America: the nationwide poll on girls' self esteem; The AAUW Report: How Schools Shortchange Girls: a review of all published data from 1980-1992 on status of girls in our public schools; Hostile Hallways: a nationwide survey on sexual harassment in American schools. (Research project range: \$35,000 - \$150,000).
- 3) Community Action Grants to local organizations and individuals to improve the effectiveness of K-12 math and science education for girls.
- 4) Through the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund, grants to between 12-20 public school teachers to pursue further study or to provide special programs for girls at risk in their schools.

The AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund provides funding for women students, faculty and staff seeking judicial redress for discrimination in higher education. Its activities include:

- 1) Legal case support (since 1984, 32 cases adopted totaling \$188,000. The average case provides \$5000 per individual).
- 2) Development of a network of lawyers, past litigants and social scientists the provides pro bono advice to women in higher education.
- 3) Presentation of a Progress in Equity Award given annually to programs on college campuses which exemplify innovative and replicable programs for women on campus.

1978-1986

Vice President, Professional Education Division
P.M. HAEGER AND ASSOCIATES, INC.
500 N. MICHIGAN AVENUE
CHICAGO, IL 60611

P.M. Haeger and Associates, Inc. provided overall management services to several professional associations. Its client list included The National Association of Bank Women and its Educational Foundation, The International Association of Auditorium Managers and its Foundation, The American Women's Society of Certified Public Accountants, The American Association of Diabetes Educators, The Committee of 200 (women business owners) and an association of specialist surgeons. Company billing \$5 million, 70 employees.

Job Responsibilities:

- directed leadership and management training programs for clients
- consulted with both client and non-client associations and industry in areas of strategic and long-range planning
- functioned as the #2 (administrative) manager of the firm reporting to the president

Areas under supervision:

- corporate growth and financial management
- strategic and long-range planning
- administration of an educational foundation for the association of women bankers
- career, leadership and management training and a bachelors degree program in three cooperating colleges

1972-1974

Assistant to the Academic Dean
SPRINGFIELD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE
SPRINGFIELD, MA

Job Responsibilities: (part time while in graduate school)

- developed proposals for federal and state government funding
- assisted in selecting staff to run projects and developed cooperative programs between the college and the University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Memberships and Appointments

Current:

CEO Forum on Education & Technology Co-chair (with NEA) - An organization of 20+ high technology CEO's assembled to report to the nation on progress in technology & education.	1997-Present
Simmons College, Boston, MA Board Member, Simmons College Corporation Ex-officio, Executive Committee Chair, Committee on Instruction	1971-Present
United Nations Association of the USA, New York, NY Board of Directors Board of Governors Chair, Nominating Committee Finance Committee Member	1988-1991 1991-1997 1993-94 1995-96
American Society of Association Executives, Washington, DC Member, Nominating Committee Treasurer, ASAE Foundation Board of Directors, ASAE Foundation Board of Directors	1975-Present 1997 1990-1991 1988-1991 1985-1988
Education Commission of the States, Denver, CO Advisory Commissioner	1986-Present
Heritage College, Toppenish, WA Member, National Advisory Committee for Focus Five Campaign	1991-Present
Scholastic Inc. Member, National Advisory Board	1997-present
Mississippi University for Women, Columbus, MS National Advisory Council	1991-Present
Business Executives for National Security, Washington, DC	1985-Present
Women's Forum of Washington, DC	1993-Present

Memberships and Appointments

Past

Hospital Corporation of America, Nashville, TN Board of Directors (merger with Columbia 2/94)	1993-1994
Independent Sector, Washington, DC Board of Directors	1988-1994
Chair, Management Committee	1991-1993
National Coalition for Women and Girls in Education, Washington, DC Vice-Chair	1989-1991
Chair	1991-1993
Washington Center (College Internship Program), Washington, DC Board of Directors	1986-1992
American Association for Higher Education, Washington, DC Director	1980-1987
Council for Adult and Experiential Learning, Chicago, IL Chairman, Board of Trustees	1980-1987 1985-1986
Chicago Finance Exchange, Chicago, IL	1985
Chatham Hall, Chatham, VA Member, Board of Trustees	1973-1980
Member, Executive Committee	1976-1980
Suffolk University Visiting Committee, Boston, MA Appointed Member	1977-1979
Boston Public Library Board of Examiners, Boston, MA Appointed Member	1975-1977

Honors and Awards

University of New England, College of Osteopathic Medicine Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters	1996
Georgia Society of Association Executives The Abit Massey Lecture Award	1995
The United Nations Association of Greater Boston Achievement Award for Leadership	1995
Simmons College, Alumnae Achievement Award	1993
American Society of Association Executives Certified Association Executive	1986
ASAE Fellow	1987
ASAE Key Award for Outstanding Leadership	1992
University of Massachusetts William H. Cosby, Jr. Award	1983
Boston YWCA Woman of the Year for Education	1976
Simmons College Crown Zellerbach Award for Academic Achievement	1971

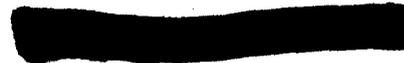
Education

- Ed.D. University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA
Concentration in Higher Education, 1978.
Doctoral Dissertation: Faculty Collective Bargaining in Higher Education: A Case Study of the University of Massachusetts.
- B.A. Simmons College, Boston, MA
English and Secondary Education, 1971.
Member of Honor Society, 1967-1971

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The Honorable Reed Hundt, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M St. NW, Room 814
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Hundt:

The Executive Council and the members of the American Association of Educational Service Agencies (AAESA), want to express our strong support for the nomination of Dr. Brian L. Talbott to the Universal Service Administrative Company's (USAC) Board of Directors. Dr. Talbott is an extremely accomplished professional who is not only well qualified for this distinguished appointment, but who would be of great assistance and contribution to the USAC Board. Brian has been a leader in the Washington Association of School Administrators as an officer and one of the most effective advocates in the state legislature and Congress. Nationally, Brian has been one of the most important voices for using telecommunications to improve learning opportunities for children.

Dr. Talbott, as the incoming AAESA Executive Director, was selected by the AAESA Executive Council from a pool of extremely qualified, highly recommended education leaders from around the country. Dr. Talbott served on the AAESA Executive Council from 1992 through 1995 and was chosen by his council colleagues to serve as president in 1993. In this capacity, Dr. Talbott oversaw the development and implementation of the AAESA legislative agenda and was often called upon to address federal policy and legislative developments. Because of his own political savvy, he was very successful in his legislative responsibilities. Most recently, he volunteered to chair the AAESA Telecommunications Task Force and through this capacity has coherently brought together the educational service agencies (ESAs) from the 27 states which have ESAs.

In regards to the responsibilities of the USAC Board, Dr. Talbott offers excellent qualifications. Over the past 17 years, he has successfully directed the Educational Service District 101 in Spokane, Washington, which serves approximately 60 public schools districts and over 50 private schools. In this capacity, Dr. Talbott has interfaced with the superintendents of these school and with their boards. As general manager of ESD 101's STEP Star Network, Talbott designed, implemented, and operated the largest educational telecommunications network in the nation.

Through his involvement with the Star Schools program and other technology initiatives, Dr. Talbott is well known in the technology industry. Board presidents, organization directors and representatives from the corporate community often call upon him for advice and feedback on a wide variety of issues.

The Honorable Reed Hundt, Chairman

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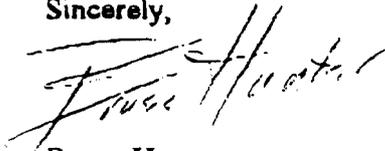
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Dr. Talbott has served in many leadership roles on the national level, on the state level, in the education community and in his own community. Whenever there is a crises in the Washington state legislature regarding education, Brian is one of a small group to whom the superintendents turn to work out solutions between all of the competing interests in the education community. Dr. Talbott is known and highly regarded by his educational service agency colleagues throughout the nation. In both the education and private industry arena's Dr. Talbott has proven his leadership, negotiating and consensus building abilities.

I have personally had the great pleasure of working with Dr. Talbott over the years regarding legislative issues and through his position as president of AAESA. There is not a colleague whom I could recommend more strongly. His understanding of legislative issues, of the legislative process and the workings of both the federal and state systems is strong. And, he has demonstrated tremendous success in these areas. In addition, Brian has an excellent moral compass that makes hard choices easier by always leading with the question, "What works best for kids?" Working is always fun as well as inspiring with Brian.

The American Association of Educational Service Agencies strongly endorses Dr. Talbott's nomination to the USAC Board of Directors. Should you have any questions or desire additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 703 / 875-0738.

Sincerely,



Bruce Hunter
Executive Director

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