THE KEY FACTS ABOUT DELEGATE ASSEMBLY

WHAT IS DELEGATE ASSEMBLY?
It is the annual business meeting of TASB at which critical decisions are made that guide the organization in representing members’ interest before state and national policymakers.

WHAT DOES THE DELEGATE ASSEMBLY DO?
- Elect the TASB leadership: Officers and members of the TASB Board of Directors
- Amend the Association’s Bylaws
- Adopt and amend the Advocacy Agenda, which includes
  - Cornerstone Principles: High-level principles that guide the Advocacy Agenda and organizational conduct
  - Priorities: A set of legislative goals arising from the grassroots process
  - Resolutions: District-submitted stances guiding TASB’s response to other issues that might arise before the Legislature or other governmental entities

WHO ARE THE DELEGATES?
Each TASB Active Member names a Delegate and Alternate to serve as its representative during the Assembly. Only one representative may be on the floor; however, the Delegate and Alternate may trade off time on the floor. TASB’s Active Members include all 1,029 local school boards and 20 regional education service center boards.

DELEGATE ASSEMBLY TIDBITS
Continuing education credit will be announced at the end of Delegate Assembly. The annual report video shown will be available on the TASB Website. TASB Governmental Relations staff will provide you with a list of districts in your region without a School Board Advocacy Network (SBAN) representative. Please encourage participation.
HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN DELEGATE ASSEMBLY
CHECK THE RULES!
The Procedures and Rules are printed on pages 7–9 in the Delegate Assembly Handbook.

WHAT’S ON THE AGENDA?
Delegates can find information on the items being considered at this year’s Assembly in the Delegate Assembly Handbook and the yellow Nominations Committee Report.

SO, A DELEGATE WANTS TO MAKE A CHANGE…
Delegates can use the blue action form at the back of the Handbook to:
- Amend a proposed change to the Bylaws or pull a Bylaws change for individual consideration
- Pull a Resolution recommended for adoption for individual discussion
- Amend a Resolution recommended for adoption
- Move for adoption of a Resolution NOT recommended for adoption without amendment
- Amend a Resolution NOT recommended for adoption

Primary amendments can be made before the call to order by submitting the blue action form found at the back of the Delegate Assembly Handbook. These forms must be turned in to the Bylaws/Advocacy Agenda Information Center at the back of the Assembly floor. Staff will be manning the booth beginning at noon on Saturday.

Secondary amendments germane to the primary amendment can be made from the floor.

WHAT IF A DELEGATE WANTS TO SPEAK?
Delegates can speak from one of the microphones after the presiding officer recognizes them. They are asked to state their name and school board and keep comments to less than three minutes. They cannot speak on the same issue again until all others have had the opportunity to speak.

AND THEN, THEY VOTE!
Voting will be conducted in accordance with the Procedures and Rules (see Rule 11)—either by Frisbees™ or electronic keypads.

HOW ARE DELEGATES NOTIFIED OF CHANGES?
Green summaries will be available at the caucuses; this form will explain any changes to the Resolutions approved at the Resolutions Committee Hearing and any late Resolutions.

Orange summaries will be handed out during Delegate Assembly; this form will detail amendments and pulls submitted on the blue action forms before the call to order.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
Before the caucus:
Contact Sheri Hicks, division director of Board and Management Services, or her staff at 800.580.8272, ext. 2800.

At the caucus: GR representatives and TASB staff will be in the caucus area to assist you.

At Delegate Assembly:
Staff (with red clipboards) are assigned to each region on the Delegate Assembly floor. Also, staff will be available at the Bylaws/Advocacy Agenda Information Center at the back of the floor.