

VI.L.1

CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Hartford

TO BE PROPOSED: January 5, 2011

WHEREAS: Edward DePeau, a mathematics teacher at Newington High School in Newington, has demonstrated superior teaching skills;

WHEREAS: He has been chosen as a 2009 recipient of the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching;

WHEREAS: His accomplishments will receive national attention as Connecticut's representative of excellence in mathematics teaching, and he will become part of a network of exemplary PAEMST Awardees who will influence educators and policymakers; and

WHEREAS: He has brought great honor to his community, his state and his profession.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION HONORS EDWARD DEPEAU WITH GREAT APPRECIATION FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ART OF SECONDARY MATHEMATICS TEACHING.

Approved by a vote of _____ this fifth day of January, Two Thousand Eleven.

Signed: _____
Mark K. McQuillan, Secretary
State Board of Education

VI.L.2

CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Hartford

TO BE PROPOSED: January 5, 2011

WHEREAS: Kristen Ann Record, a physics teacher at Bunnell High School in Stratford, has demonstrated superior teaching skills;

WHEREAS: She has been chosen as a 2009 recipient of the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching;

WHEREAS: Her accomplishments will receive national attention as Connecticut's representative of excellence in science teaching, and she will become part of a network of exemplary PAEMST Awardees who will influence educators and policymakers; and

WHEREAS: She has brought great honor to her community, her state and her profession.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION HONORS KRISTEN ANN RECORD WITH GREAT APPRECIATION FOR HER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ART OF SECONDARY SCIENCE TEACHING.

Approved by a vote of _____ this fifth day of January, Two Thousand Eleven.

Signed: _____
Mark K. McQuillan, Secretary
State Board of Education

**CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Hartford**

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Mark K. McQuillan, Commissioner of Education

DATE: January 5, 2011

SUBJECT: Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching: 2009
Presidential Award Winners

Executive Summary

Introduction

The purpose of this report is to honor two Connecticut teachers who have received the 2009 Presidential Award for Excellence in Secondary Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST). The PAEMST program correlates with the State Board of Education priority of high academic achievement of all students in reading, writing, mathematics and science, in that it recognizes excellent educators who believe that all students, regardless of race, gender, ethnicity or socioeconomic status, can achieve at high levels in mathematics and science. In addition to honoring individual achievement, the goal of the PAEMST Program is to exemplify the highest standards of mathematics and science teaching.

History/Background

The PAEMST Program was established in 1983 by the White House and is administered by the National Science Foundation (NSF). Each of the 50 states and four U.S. jurisdictions can submit up to three state finalists in each discipline, mathematics and science, as candidates for the Presidential Award each year. A national selection panel reviews the finalists' applications and may recommend to the White House one science finalist and one mathematics finalist as Presidential Awardees. The President of the United States announces the awardees for each state. All awardees receive a citation signed by the President of the United States, a \$10,000 award from NSF and an expenses-paid trip for them and their guests to attend a series of recognition events in Washington, D.C. These events include an award ceremony, celebratory receptions, professional development programs, and discussions with policymakers on how to improve mathematics and science education.

Recommendation and Justification

I recommend that the Board recognize Edward DePeau as Connecticut's recipient of a 2009 Presidential Award for Excellence in Secondary Mathematics Teaching and Kristen Ann Record as Connecticut's recipient of a 2009 Presidential Award for Excellence in

Secondary Science Teaching. They join an elite group of over 4,000 talented Presidential Awardees who have both deep content knowledge of the subjects they teach and the ability to inspire and enable students to be successful in these areas.

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