ASSESSMENT AND TESTING COMMITTEE

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MAJOR POLICY - Immediate Action (2/3rd vote required)

A. None

MAJOR POLICY - Second Reading

A. None

MAJOR POLICY - First Reading

A. Standardized testing will assess the content standards of the current academic year in which those content standards are taught.

   Rationale: We want to have policy in place to deal with future legislation concerning assessment of the common core state standards and any other standardized content assessments.

   To be placed in "Testing/Assessment: Standardized testing of students" after #4 following "CTA also believes in order for standardized achievement test and/or assessments to support quality education" (pg. 374)

OTHER ITEMS FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION

A. None

REFERRALS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A. None

MATTERS PENDING

A. NBI 4/11-3 – That CTA sponsor and lobby for legislation to revise the 8th grade California Standards Test (CST) to include only United States history questions instead of the current policy of including both World history and United States history questions on the test.
B. NBI 4/11-8 – That CTA lobby for the cessation of the History and Science portion of the STAR test in Grade 8.
C. NBI 10/11-29 – That CTA writes policy language to protect teacher created assessment/testing material security.
D. NBI 3/12-12 – That CTA demand that the disclosure of API scores by any state or local school district be done by reporting the full range of scores starting from the first year's baseline scores to every subsequent year thereafter.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Updated committee on SMARTER Balance Assessment progress, especially computer adaptive testing.
2. Took a watch position on SB 518.
3. Thank you to Peg Myers and Cynthia Pena for their years of service!
4. Elected officers for next year:

    Chairperson: Cliff Kusaba
    Vice Chairperson: Jennifer Pettey
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