

Welcome to *Board Brief*, a summary of recent decisions of the [CEC Board of Directors](#). Following are key actions from the November 2-3, 2024, Board of Directors meeting.

Bylaws

The Board of Directors approved a motion to revise the slating and selection process for President Elect and Treasurer. Per [CEC's Bylaws](#), members must be provided with 30 days to comment on proposed changes. Comments should be submitted to president@exceptionalchildren.org. **The deadline for receipt of input is 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time, January 13, 2025.**

A summary of the proposed amendments, can be found [here](#) through the end of the comment period.

The purposes of the proposed amendments to the Bylaws are:

1. To allow any member of CEC to run for president elect to ensure a slate of at least two candidates. Allowing well-qualified members to run for president elect promotes inclusivity, diversity, and effective governance, and ensures fresh ideas and perspectives so that CEC remains a vibrant and representative organization.
2. To clarify or revise the party/parties responsible for filling officer (President Elect/Treasurer) positions or vacancies.

Policy & Advocacy

Adopted the joint CEC/National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) position statement "Teaching Mathematics to Students with Disabilities," following a period of stakeholder input, as recommended by the Policy Steering Committee.

The position statement will be available [here](#) in the coming weeks.

Workgroups

Establish a General Education Outreach and Support Workgroup to explore how CEC can support and engage with general education professionals who work with students with disabilities and/or giftedness.

Established a 50th Anniversary of IDEA Workgroup to develop a strategy (or strategies) to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of IDEA between now and the [2026 Convention](#).

Awards and Recognitions

Voted to name two recipients of CEC's **Impact Award**, which recognizes an individual or community/corporate organization that has had an impact on CEC's strategic work and/or the field of special education. The identity of the recipients is being withheld pending presentation of the award

Further information will be available on the [CEC website](#) in the coming weeks.

Approved the following recommended individuals as recipients of a **Legacy Proclamation**, which honors an outstanding CEC member who has led and contributed to The Council's various units, divisions, and national governing bodies and has significantly influenced the field throughout a lifelong career.

- D. Parthenia Cogdell
- Janette Klingner

The Legacy Proclamations will be available [here](#) following presentation of the recognition at the [CEC 2025 Convention & Expo](#).

Fiduciary Duty Items

Approved the 2025 budget, as recommended by the Finance and Audit Standing Committee.

Approved an updated Executive Director Succession Plan. This plan lays out a course of action in the event that the Executive Director were to leave CEC or become unable to perform their duties. The updated version reflects new staff since the last plan was approved in November 2023.

Questions? Contact Executive Director [Chad Rummel](#).