



MIRANDA A. BEARD
Past President
2011-2018 Board of Directors
National School Boards Association

Miranda A. Beard served as the 2016-2017 president of the National Schools Boards Association (NSBA) based in the Washington, D.C. area and chairman of NSBA's national and regional nominating committees. Chairman of the NSBA past president's advisory council. NSBA's members are state school board associations across the United States. Those associations provide training to nearly 90-Thousand school board members who serve 50-Million public school age children. She was elected to her leadership role in April 2016 by NSBA's 150-member Delegate Assembly in Boston, Massachusetts.

Miranda was first elected to the NSBA Board in April 2011 as a director representing the Southern Region; in 2012, she was re-elected to a three-year term. She served 15 years as president of the Laurel School District Board of Trustees and past president of the Mississippi School Boards Association.

Miranda is a graduate of the University of Mississippi at Oxford, Mississippi with a B.A degree in Communications with emphasis in broadcasting and public relations. She has 30 years of experience as a professional journalist, TV producer , bureau chief and assistant content director for television.

Former Governor Kirk Fordice appointed Miranda as a commissioner to the Mississippi Employment Security Commission, a position she held for eight years. She is on the advisory board for the Frances Karnes Center for Gifted Studies at the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg, Mississippi and the advisory board for the University of Southern Mississippi School of Mass Communication and Journalism. She is a former member of the Board of Directors for the Greater Mississippi Girl Scouts and past president of the Mississippi Associated Press Broadcasters Association. Miranda has served on the board for the Jones County United Way and the board for the Domestic Abuse Family Shelter. She is the owner and president of B&B Consultants Inc.

Miranda has traveled extensively across the United States, parts of Central and Western Europe as well as Vienna, Austria and the Dominican Republic as a leading voice and advocate for equity and excellence in the education of all children.

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