



MEMORANDUM

Prepared for: Oregon State Senate

Date: January 24, 2020

By: Tyler Larson, Analyst

Re: Legislative Review of Executive
Appointments

LPRO: LEGISLATIVE POLICY AND RESEARCH

TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission subject to Senate confirmation.¹

Appointees

Samuel Breyer of Portland, Reappointment

Maureen Wolf of Tigard, Reappointment

Term

Breyer: January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2022

Wolf: January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2022

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 342.350](#)

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Statutory Requirements³

The commission consists of 17 members appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation by the Senate.⁴ Members serve three year terms. Except for the public members and member of the school district board, members must have been actively engaged in teaching, personnel service work, or administering in the public schools or in approved educator preparation providers in Oregon for the period of five years immediately preceding appointment. One member must hold a teaching license with an endorsement in some aspect of special education or have demonstrated knowledge or experience in special education.

Membership must consist of:

- Four elementary teachers (BRIZENDINE, CARRASCO, GROSS);
- Four middle school or high school teachers (BARNEY, CLASSEN, PEREZ);
- One elementary school administrator (COBB);
- One middle school or high school administrator (BARE, BRUNER,);

¹ See [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562](#), [ORS 171.565](#).

² See [ORS 244.050](#).

³ See [ORS 182.100](#) for affirmative action policy and [ORS 236.115](#) for diversity criteria.

⁴ [ORS 342.350-360](#).

- One superintendent of a school district (**SWEENEY**);
- One superintendent of an education service district (**BREYER**);
- One member from the faculty of an approved educator preparation provider within a private college or university in Oregon (**WEITZEL**);
- One member from the faculty of an approved educator preparation provider within a public university listed in ORS 352.002 (**NEWMAN**);
- One member who is also a member of a district school board (**WOLF**); and
- Two members of the general public (**MARSON**).

Duties and Authority

The commission shall:⁵

- Select one of its members as chairperson, and another as vice chairperson, for such terms and with such powers and duties necessary for the performance of the functions of such offices as the commission shall determine;
- Meet at least once every six months;
- Appoint a qualified person as executive director;
- Issue licenses to teachers and administrators who possess the minimum competencies, knowledge and skills to teach and administer in the public schools of this state;
- Adopt rules that govern the disbursement of moneys from the National Board Certification Fund;
- Adopt rules to govern the administration of licenses;
- Establish a public charter school teacher and administrator registry;
- Administer a pilot program on alternative authorization requirements for teachers of noncore courses;
- Establish and collect fees for specified services;
- Establish by rule standards for approval of educator preparation providers and educator preparation programs;
- Award grants from the Teacher Education Program Accreditation Account;
- Adopt procedures to assess the proficiencies developed through workshops and courses in grade I and grade II Braille that are consistent with standards set by the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped at the Library of Congress;
- Adopt rules necessary for the issuance, denial, continuation, renewal, lapse, revocation, suspension, or reinstatement of licenses or registrations;
- Adopt rules establishing means in addition to those prescribed by law whereby teachers are able to add additional endorsements to their teaching licenses;
- Investigate complaints;
- Render decisions after disciplinary hearings and notify specified parties of those decisions in writing;

⁵ [ORS 342.121-430](#).

- Establish by rule an expedited process by which a military spouse or domestic partner who is licensed to teach in another state may apply for and obtain a teaching license; and,
- Regularly publish online specified information regarding individuals subject to discipline that can be accessed by school districts, public charter schools, and education service districts.

The commission may: ⁶

- Employ persons to provide such service as the commission shall require;
- Accept from any source any grant, donation or gift of money or other valuable thing made to the commission for purposes of the National Board Certification Fund;
- Disburse moneys from the National Board Certification Fund to applicants for assistance with the direct costs of seeking and obtaining national board certification;
- Establish other types of teaching licenses as the commission considers necessary for operation of the public schools of the state and may prescribe the qualifications for the licenses;
- Refuse to issue a license, registration, or approval under specified circumstances;
- Suspend or revoke the license or registration of a teacher or administrator, discipline a teacher or administrator, or suspend or revoke the right of any person to apply for a license or registration under specified circumstances;
- Appoint investigators as necessary to conduct investigations of complaints;
- Issue subpoenas to compel attendance at a hearing;
- Issue a letter of informal reproof to a person licensed, registered or certified by the commission under specified circumstances;
- Issue a license to an out-of-state applicant if the applicant has met the professional requirements established by rule by the commission and has completed a course of study that is acceptable to the commission; and,
- Require fingerprints for the purpose of requesting a criminal records check from specified individuals subject to the regulation of the board.

⁶ [ORS 342.121-430](#).

Executive Appointments Board Roster

Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

Agency: Oregon Department of Education
Authorization: ORS 342.350
Members: Min: 17 Max: 17
Term Length: 3 years Limit: 2
Senate confirmation required? Yes

Policy Area: Education

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Current Appointments:

Member Name and Address (Alphabetical)

Erika J Bare Jr/High School Principal Term(s): 09-28-2018 - 12-31-2020	Position Number: 10
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Jessica L Barney High School Teacher Term(s): 01-01-2019 - 12-31-2021	Position Number: 7
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Sam Breyer ESD Superintendent Term(s): 01-01-2020 - 12-31-2022 09-28-2018 - 12-31-2019	Position Number: 12
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Judy Brizendine Elementary Teacher/Special ED Term(s): 01-01-2015 - 12-31-2017 03-01-2012 - 12-31-2014	Position Number: 3
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Allan Bruner Jr/Sr High Teacher Term(s): 01-01-2018 - 12-31-2020	Position Number: 5
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Iris Carrasco Elementary Teacher Term(s): 09-28-2018 - 12-31-2020	Position Number: 2
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Jessica Classen Secondary Teacher Term(s): 01-01-2019 - 12-31-2021 11-17-2017 - 12-31-2018	Position Number: 8
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Member Name and Address (Alphabetical)

Policy Area: Education

Olga L Cobb Elementary School Principal Term(s): 01-01-2015 - 12-31-2017 03-01-2012 - 12-31-2014	Position Number: 9
Martha D Gross Elementary Teacher Term(s): 01-01-2018 - 12-31-2020	Position Number: 1
Liliana Jimenez Elementary Teacher Term(s): 01-01-2018 - 12-31-2020 09-26-2016 - 12-31-2017	Position Number: 4
Erica N Marson Term(s): 01-01-2019 - 12-31-2021	Position Number: 16
Rae Ette V Newman, PhD State Institution of Higher Learning Term(s): 09-23-2019 - 12-31-2020	Position Number: 14
Marty R Perez Jr/Sr High Teacher Term(s): 01-01-2017 - 12-31-2019 07-01-2014 - 12-31-2016	Position Number: 6
Tim Sweeney Superintendent of City Schools Term(s): 01-01-2019 - 12-31-2021	Position Number: 11
Bruce N Weitzel, PhD State Institution of Higher Education; Private Dean Term(s): 01-01-2018 - 12-31-2020 11-20-2015 - 12-31-2017	Position Number: 13
Maureen J Wolf School Board Member Term(s): 01-01-2020 - 12-31-2022 01-01-2017 - 12-31-2019	Position Number: 15
Maureen J Wolf School Board Member Term(s): 01-01-2020 - 12-31-2022 01-01-2017 - 12-31-2019	Position Number: 15