

Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Oregon State Senate
DATE: April 18, 2023
BY: Leslie Porter, Analyst
RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



QUALITY EDUCATION COMMISSION

The Governor has appointed the following individual to the Quality Education Commission subject to Senate confirmation.¹

Reappointee

John Rexford of Bend

Term

August 1, 2021 – July 31, 2025

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 327.500 \(2021\)](#)

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Statutory Requirements³

The commission consists of 11 members appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate (HENRY, HEPPER, PREUS, **REXFORD**, SEQUEIRA, SCOTT-SCHWALBACH, SWANDER).⁴ No more than five members of the commission may be employed by a school district at the time of appointment (COX, MOONEY, TOWNSEND, DANZUKA). Members serve four-year terms, at the pleasure of the Governor, and are eligible for reappointment.

The Governor must select one of the members of the commission as chairperson and another as vice chairperson, for such terms and with duties and powers necessary for the performance of the functions of those offices as the Governor determines.⁵ A majority of the members of the commission constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business. The commission meets at the call of the chairperson or of a majority of the members of the commission.

¹ [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562 \(2021\)](#), [ORS 171.565 \(2021\)](#).

² [ORS 244.050 \(2021\)](#).

³ [ORS 182.100 \(2021\)](#) for affirmative action policy and [ORS 236.115 \(2021\)](#) for diversity criteria.

⁴ [ORS 327.500 \(2021\)](#).

⁵ [ORS 327.502 \(2021\)](#).

Duties and Authority

The Oregon Educational Act for the 21st Century established quality education goals for the state's K-12 public schools.⁶ The commission determines the amount of funding needed to meet those goals.⁷ The commission must:⁸

- each biennium, determine the amount of moneys sufficient to ensure that the state's system of K-12 public education meets the quality goals;
- identify best practices based on research, data, professional judgment, and public values that lead to high student performance and the costs of implementing those best practices in the state's K-12 public schools; and
- each biennium, issue a report to the Governor and the Legislative Assembly that identifies: current practices in the state's system of K-12 public education, the costs of continuing those practices, and the expected student performance under those practices; and the best practices for meeting the quality goals, the costs of implementing the best practices, and the expected student performance under the best practices; and at least two alternatives for meeting the quality goals.

⁶ [ORS chapter 329 \(2021\)](#).

⁷ Oregon Department of Education, *Quality Education Commission Reports*, <https://www.oregon.gov/ode/reports-and-data/taskcomm/Pages/QEMReports.aspx> (last visited April 2, 2023).

⁸ [ORS 327.506 \(2021\)](#).



Quality Education Commission

Agency: **Oregon Department of Education**

Authorization: **ORS 327.500**

Min Members: **11** Max Members: **11**

Term Length: **4** Term Limit: **2**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Unknown**

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Current Appointments

Ms Preus, Camille "Cam"

Term(s): **5/14/2021 - 5/13/2025**

Position Number: **1**

Mr Rexford, John M

Term(s): **8/1/2021 - 7/31/2025**

Position Number: **2**

8/1/2017 - 7/31/2021

9/26/2016 - 7/31/2017

Ms Cox, Monica B

Term(s): **3/1/2022 - 7/31/2025**

Position Number: **3**

Ms Scott-Schwalbach, Reed A

Term(s): **3/1/2022 - 2/28/2026**

Position Number: **4**

Dr Mooney, Patricia "Tricia" G

Term(s): **11/25/2019 - 11/24/2023**

School District Employee

Position Number: **5**

Dr Henry, Samuel D

Term(s): **8/1/2019 - 7/31/2023**

Position Number: **6**

2/17/2016 - 7/31/2019

Dr Sequeira, Carlos A EdD

Term(s): **11/25/2019 - 11/24/2023**

Position Number: **7**

Ms Swander, Whitney M

Term(s): **5/14/2021 - 5/13/2025**

Position Number: **8**

Townsend, Andrea

Term(s): **3/1/2022 - 7/31/2025**

Position Number: **9**

Ms Hepper, Dana T

Term(s): **11/25/2019 - 11/24/2023**

Public Member

Position Number: **10**

Danzuka, Laurie

Term(s):

6/10/2022 - 6/9/2026

Position Number: **11**

Vacant Positions
