

# Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Committee on Rules  
DATE: January 27, 2025  
BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst  
RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



## **OREGON HEALTH AND SCIENCE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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The Governor has appointed the following individual to the Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU) Board of Directors subject to Senate confirmation.<sup>1</sup>

### **New Appointee**

Justin Hurley Braswell of Salem

### **Term**

March 1, 2025 – September 30, 2028

### **Appointment/Confirmation Authority**

[ORS 353.040 \(2023\)](#)

### **Statement of Economic Interest<sup>2</sup>**

Required.

### **Composition<sup>3</sup>**

The board consists of 11 U.S. citizens:

- seven individuals with experience related to the university's missions or to its success, including higher education, health care, scientific research, engineering and technology, and economic and business development (BEYER, CARLSON, **HURLEY**, KING, PAULSON, STEWARD, ZIKA);
- one enrolled student (JARA);
- one faculty member (RODRIGUEZ);
- one nonfaculty staff (IRVAN); and
- the university president, *ex officio* (JACOBS).

The student, faculty, and nonfaculty staff members serve two-year terms; other members, excluding the president, serve four-year terms. All positions are eligible for one reappointment. Terms begin October 1. The board nominates candidates upon a vacancy. Student government shall submit a list of nominees to the Governor for consideration for the student member. The Governor may remove any member for

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<sup>1</sup> [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562 \(2023\)](#) and [171.565 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>2</sup> [ORS 244.050 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>3</sup> [ORS 353.040 \(2023\)](#); [ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2023\)](#) for diversity criteria.

cause, after notice and public hearing, but not more than three members within four years, unless for corrupt conduct in office.

The board selects its chair and vice chair. The board must adopt bylaws concerning how a quorum is constituted and when it is necessary. The board must meet at least once every three months.

### **Duties<sup>4</sup>**

OHSU is designated to carry out the following public purposes and missions:

- provide high quality educational programs appropriate for a health and science university;
- conduct research in health care, engineering, biomedical, and general sciences;
- engage in inpatient and outpatient clinical care and health care delivery systems;
- provide outreach programs in education, research, and health care;
- serve as a local, regional, and statewide resource for health care providers; and
- provide health care to the underserved patient population of Oregon.

The board exercises all the powers of OHSU and must

- appoint and supervise a university president;
- adopt rules; and
- adopt a policy that prescribes the requirements for a venture grant program.

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<sup>4</sup> [ORS 353.030 to 353.445 \(2023\)](#).



# Health and Science University Board of Directors, Oregon

Agency: **None**

Authorization: **ORS 353.040 | SB 423 (2023)**

Min Members: **9** Max Members: **11**

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

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Health**

Board Admin: **Connie Seeley**

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## Current Appointments

**Ms King, Susan E RN**

At-Large

Position Number: **1**

Term(s):

**3/1/2022 - 9/30/2025**

**Ms Beyer, Ruth A**

At-Large

Position Number: **2**

Term(s):

**10/1/2021 - 9/30/2025**

**10/1/2017 - 9/30/2021**

**Mr. Carlson, James "Jim" A**

At-Large

Position Number: **3**

Term(s):

**10/1/2024 - 9/30/2028**

**5/14/2021 - 9/30/2024**

**Steward, Susie**

At-Large

Position Number: **4**

Term(s):

**11/19/2021 - 9/30/2025**

**Mr Paulson, Chad E**

At-Large

Position Number: **5**

Term(s):

**10/1/2021 - 9/30/2025**

**2/14/2018 - 9/30/2021**

**Mr Zika, Steven "Steve"**

At-Large

Position Number: **6**

Term(s):

**10/1/2021 - 9/30/2025**

**11/17/2017 - 9/30/2021**

**Hurley Braswell, Justin**

At-Large

Position Number: **7**

Term(s):

**3/1/2025 - 9/30/2028**

**Jara, Calvin**

Student

Position Number: **8**

Term(s):

**2/16/2024 - 9/30/2025**

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**Dr Rodriguez, Maria I**

Term(s):

**10/1/2024 - 9/30/2026**

Faculty

Position Number: **9**

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**Irvan, Claire**

Term(s):

**10/1/2024 - 9/30/2026**

Non-faculty Staff

Position Number: **10**

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## Vacant Positions

Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
11	Dr Jacobs, Danny	Statute/Bill		