

Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Interim Committee on Rules
and Executive Appointments

DATE: September 12, 2025

BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst

RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



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BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY

The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Board of Trustees of Portland State University subject to Senate confirmation.¹

New Appointees

Robin Beavers of Portland

Ali Martinez of Portland

Jon Owens of Portland

Randall Yesmont of Tigard

Re-appointees

Antoinette Chandler of Watertown, Massachusetts

Katy Ho of Tigard

AJ Romero-Gemmell of Milwaukie

Terms

Beavers, Owens: October 1, 2025 – June 30, 2029

Chandler, Ho: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2029

Martinez: October 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026

Romero-Gemmell: July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2028

Yesmont: October 1, 2025 – June 30, 2027

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 352.054 and 352.076 \(2023\)](#).

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Composition³

The Governor appoints 12 to 18 members:

- one enrolled undergraduate student (**YESMONT**);
- one enrolled undergraduate student, nonvoting (**MARTINEZ**);

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

² [ORS 244.050 \(2023\)](#).

³ [ORS 352.076 \(2023\)](#); [ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2023\)](#) for diversity criteria.

- one graduate student (**ROMERO-GEMMELL** (VINEVTSEVA));
- one faculty member (REITENAUER);
- one nonfaculty staff member (BIKMAN);
- eight to 12 at large members: (**BEAVERS**, BERRY, **CHANDLER**, **HO**, MADRIGAL, MOODY-JURADO, **OWENS**, RAMALEY, ROSENBAUM, TARASAWA, VAN VALKENBURG); and
- the university president, *ex officio*, nonvoting (CUDD).

Student, faculty, and nonfaculty staff serve two-year terms; other members serve four-year terms. The Governor may remove appointed members but not more than three within four years, unless for corrupt conduct. Faculty and nonfaculty staff members may not participate in discussions, action, or sessions concerning collective bargaining. The board selects its chair and vice chair, shall adopt bylaws concerning how a quorum is constituted and when it is necessary, and must meet at least four times per year.

Duties⁴

Oregon's seven public universities have governing boards that:

- provide transparency, public accountability, and support for the university;
- are close to and closely focused on the individual university;
- lead to greater access and affordability for Oregon residents and do not disadvantage Oregon students relative to out-of-state students;
- act in the best interests of the university and the State of Oregon; and
- promote academic success in support of all education beyond high school.

The governing board of each university must:

- adopt the university budget;
- in consultation with the Governor, appoint and supervise a university president;
- establish a process for determining tuition and fees;
- have custody and control of all real and personal property used;
- ensure collateral to secures funds on deposit;
- adopt standards governing employees outside employment and activities;
- provide group insurance and deferred compensation plans to employees;
- exempt a student who is not a citizen or lawful permanent resident, or financially dependent on the same, from paying nonresident tuition and fees under specified conditions; and
- adopt standards for the alcohol and drug abuse policy and implementation plan.

⁴ [ORS 352.025 and 352.313 \(2023\)](#).



Portland State University, Board of Trustees of

Agency: **Education, Oregon Department of**

Authorization: **ORS 352.076**

Min Members: **0** Max Members: **17**

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

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Education**

Board Admin: **Caitlyn Phipps**

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Current Appointments

Owens, Jon

At-Large

Position Number: **1**

Term(s):

10/1/2025 - 6/30/2029

Van Valkenburg, Edgar "Wally" W

At-Large

Position Number: **2**

Term(s):

7/1/2023 - 6/30/2027

9/23/2019 - 6/30/2023

Dr Ramaley, Judith A PhD

At-Large

Position Number: **3**

Term(s):

7/1/2023 - 6/30/2027

9/23/2019 - 6/30/2023

Mr Berry, Benjamin "Ben" L

At-Large

Position Number: **4**

Term(s):

7/1/2023 - 6/30/2027

7/1/2019 - 6/30/2023

4/1/2019 - 6/30/2019

Moody-Jurado, Sonya

At Large

Position Number: **5**

Term(s):

9/28/2022 - 6/30/2026

Ms Madrigal, Marissa D

At-Large

Position Number: **6**

Term(s):

7/1/2024 - 6/30/2028

9/28/2022 - 6/30/2024

Tarasawa, Elizabeth "Beth"

At-Large

Position Number: **7**

Term(s):

7/1/2023 - 6/30/2027

9/28/2022 - 6/30/2023

Ms Chandler, Antoinette M

At-Large

Position Number: **8**

Term(s):

7/1/2025 - 6/30/2029

7/1/2021 - 6/30/2025

Ho, Katy W	Term(s):	7/1/2025 - 6/30/2029
At-Large		7/1/2021 - 6/30/2025
Position Number: 9		
Dr. Beavers, Robin	Term(s):	10/1/2025 - 6/30/2029
At-Large		
Position Number: 10		
Rosenbaum, Mark	Term(s):	9/28/2022 - 6/30/2026
At-Large		
Position Number: 11		
Reitenauer, Vicki	Term(s):	7/1/2025 - 6/30/2027
Faculty		7/1/2023 - 6/30/2025
Position Number: 12		
Bikman, David	Term(s):	7/1/2025 - 6/30/2027
Nonfaculty Staff		
Position Number: 13		
Romero-Gemmell, AJ	Term(s):	10/1/2025 - 6/30/2027
Graduate Student		7/1/2024 - 6/30/2026
Position Number: 16		
Yesmont, Randall	Term(s):	10/1/2025 - 6/30/2026
Undergraduate (voting)		
Position Number: 14		
Martinez, Alicia "Ali"	Term(s):	10/1/2025 - 6/30/2026
Undergraduate (non-voting)		
Position Number: 15		
Vinevtseva, Angelika	Term(s):	7/1/2024 - 6/30/2026
Graduate Student		
Position Number: 16		
Cudd, Ann	Term(s):	-
President (Ex-Officio)		
Position Number: 17		

Vacant Positions