# 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



### **OREGON EDUCATORS BENEFIT BOARD**

The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Oregon Educators Benefit Board subject to Senate confirmation.<sup>1</sup>

## **New Appointee**

Richard Larson of West Linn

### **Re-appointees**

Enrique Farrera of Portland William Graupp of Wilsonville

#### **Terms**

Farrera: July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2028

Graupp and Larson: October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2029

### **Appointment/Confirmation Authority**

ORS 243.862 (2023)

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

Not required.

# Composition<sup>3</sup>

The board consists of at least 10 members, including:

- two district board representatives (LARSON, LUISI);
- two district managers (MANN, WHARTON);
- two nonmanagement district employees from the largest labor organization representing district employees (FARRERA, YOUNG);
- one nonmanagement district employee from the second largest labor organization representing district employees (MILLER);
- one nonmanagement district employee who is not represented by labor organizations (DUBARRY);
- one health policy or risk management expert (LARA);

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Or. Const. art. III sect. 4, ORS 171.562 (2023) and ORS 171.565 (2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ORS 244.050 (2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> ORS 243.862 (2023); ORS 182.100 (2023) for affirmative action policy; ORS 236.115 (2023) for diversity criteria.

- one classified staff member at a public school or an education service district (DUERFELDT);
- up to three participating local government managers; and
- up to three participating local government nonmanagement employees (GRAUPP).

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

The board seeks to provide high-quality health, dental, and other benefit plans for eligible employees at an affordable cost to districts and local governments, employees, and the taxpayers. The board must:

- contract for benefit plans;
- adopt rules and employ personnel;
- study the provision of benefit plan coverage based on the welfare of the employees and affordability for the districts and local governments;
- design benefits and award contracts for health and dental benefit plan coverage;
- impose a surcharge for coverage for a spouse or dependent if they have access to coverage as an employee in another offered health benefit plan;
- provide options for coverage for family members;
- limit per-member expenditures growth for the annual premium increase for contracted health benefit plans to 3.4 percent per year;
- conduct an audit of the health benefit plan enrollees' continued eligibility for coverage on any basis that affects the premium cost for the plan; and
- If the board spends less than 12 percent of its medical expenditures in selfinsured health benefit plans on payments for primary care, implement a plan for increasing the percentage by at least one percent a year and report annually to the Legislative Assembly.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> ORS 243.864 and 243.866 (2023).



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# **Educators Benefit Board, Oregon**

Agency: Health Authority, Oregon

Authorization: ORS 243.862

Min Members: 10 Max Members: No Max

Term Length: 4 Term Limit: 2

Senate Confirmation Required?: Yes

Policy Area: Education

Board Admin: Rose Mann

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### **Current Appointments**

Luisi, Bonita "Bonnie" K

2(a) District Board Representative

Position Number: 1

Mr Graupp, William "Bill" B

Local Government Rep (Non-Management)

Position Number: 12

Larson, Richard

District Board Rep

Position Number: 2

Mann, Tony

**District Management** Position Number: 3

Wharton, Misty

District Management

Position Number: 4

Mr Farrera, Enrique

Largest Labor Org Rep

Position Number: 5

Mr Young, Robert W

1(c) Largest Labor Organization Representative

Position Number: 6

Miller, Susan R

1(d) Second Largest Labor Organization

Position Number: 7

Term(s):

9/23/2023 - 9/22/2027

9/23/2019 - 9/22/2023

Term(s): 10/1/2025 - 9/30/2029

10/1/2021 - 9/30/2025

10/1/2017 - 9/30/2021

10/1/2025 - 9/30/2029

Term(s):

Term(s):

10/1/2024 - 9/30/2028

Term(s):

10/1/2024 - 2/28/2027

Term(s):

7/1/2024 - 6/30/2028

3/1/2022 - 6/30/2024

Term(s):

4/1/2023 - 3/31/2027

4/1/2019 - 3/31/2023

5/25/2018 - 3/31/2019

Term(s):

12/17/2022 - 12/16/2026

12/17/2018 - 12/16/2022

DuBarry, Michelle
1(e) Labor Organization Rep
Position Number: 8

Lara, Andrea
Health Policy Advisor
Position Number: 9

Duerfeldt, Sally
Classified Employees
Position Number: 11

# **Vacant Positions**