

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR STANDARDS BOARD

Agency Name

Professional Educator Standards Board

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Agency Responsibilities –

Created by legislation in 2000, the focus of the Washington Professional Educator Standards Board (PESB) is educator quality, recognizing that the highest possible standards for all educators are essential to ensuring attainment of high standards for all students.

The mission of the PESB is to:

- Advise and provide recommendations to the State Board of Education, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Governor and Legislature on the full range of issues affecting certified education professionals, including: recruitment, hiring, preparation, certification, mentoring, professional growth, retention, governance, assessment, and evaluation;
- Oversee implementation of basic skills and subject matter assessments required of all teachers applying for Washington State certification;
- Administer Alternative Routes to Teaching Program; and
- Bring greater public focus and attention to policy issues affecting certified education professionals.

Organization Chart and Budget –

Members (21):

7 public school teachers and 1 private school teacher

2 public school principals and 1 private school principal

2 educational staff associates (e.g. school psychologists, speech pathologists)

1 school district superintendent

3 representatives from college/university educator preparation programs

1 classified instructional employee (e.g. paraeducator)

1 public citizen and 1 parent representative

Superintendent of Public Instruction (ex-officio; non-voting)

Staff:

Jennifer Wallace, Executive Director

Lin Douglas, Director of Alternative Route Programs (.8 FTE - .6 federally-funded / .2 GFS)

Esther Baker, Program Director, Teacher Assessments

Pamela Abbott, Executive Assistant

Erin Smessaert, Secretary (.5 FTE)

Budget (FY '04):

Operating (GFS) = \$416,000

Alternative Route Partnership Grant Program

- GFS = \$1,097,000
- Federal funding (Transition to Teaching and Fund for Improvement of Post-Secondary Education grants) = \$1,347,500

Frequency of Meetings:

- Full board = 6 x per year, alternating months
- Executive Committee = 6 x per year, alternating months between full board meetings
- Subcommittees – varying depending on current work; generally 3 subcommittees operating at any given time
- Technical Advisory Committee for basic skills and subject knowledge tests – twice annually

Most Pressing Issues or Challenges Your Agency is Facing -

Alternative Routes to Teaching – Meeting Statewide Demand

Washington is experiencing shortages in specific teaching areas, such as special education, math and science, and in specific geographic regions. The nature of Washington's teacher shortage requires a strategic approach that includes both recruitment and retention strategies. Expanding Washington's new alternative route programs is a key part of this strategy. This program has been evaluated as highly successful in recruiting and training experienced paraeducators and mid-career professionals that not only meet state certification standards, but are rated by their principals and mentors as better prepared than teachers trained through more traditional routes. The challenge now is to make this program available statewide, especially for those rural and remote communities struggling most to find excellent teachers. For more info on this program: <http://www.pesb.wa.gov/Policybriefs/alternativeroutes.pdf>.

Math Counts: Improving Teacher Knowledge and Skills = Improved Student Achievement

November 1st the PESB will release a report with recommendations for state policymakers on changes in the systems by which Washington prepares, certifies, and provides ongoing professional development for teachers providing instruction in mathematics. Copies of report may be obtained from <http://www.pesb.wa.gov>

Aligning compensation with a performance-based system of teacher development

Increasingly, Washington's system of teacher development requires demonstrated competency against defined standards, rather than accumulated courses and credits to attain and then maintain state certification. Our compensation system, however, is still based on courses and credits and doesn't provide incentives aligned with a performance-based system. The PESB continues to work with state policymakers in examining alternative systems of compensation, such as Knowledge- and Skill-Based or Differential Pay systems. For more info see PESB policy brief on this topic – <http://www.pesb.wa.gov/Policybriefs/Compensation.pdf>.

System Governance

Professional Educator Standards Boards in Washington and other states, like standards boards for many other professions such as medicine, law, architecture, accountancy, and nursing, are created with the belief that it is the professionals themselves who are most knowledgeable about, and best positioned to set the standards for, what it takes to successfully enter into and remain in that profession. The Washington PESB is an advisory board only. While our recommendations for policy change have been well received by the State Board of Education, we maintain the position that self-governance is a defining feature of a profession.

Board Member Listing by Board Position

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR STANDARDS BOARD (ESB01)

Agency Authority	350 - Supt of Public Instruction	Senate Conf.	Y	Positions:	Maximum	020
		Public Disc.	N		Minimum	001
Authoriztn.	RCW 28A.410.200	Term Length	048		Actual	020
Rem. Auth.		Meetings/Yr.	06			

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
001	Norris, Jamila 8406 C 26th Ave. SW Seattle, WA 98106	A	AA	06/01/2004	05/31/2005
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Public Teacher		

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
002	Knue, Tim 314 North Ninth Mount Vernon, WA 98273	A	C	08/09/2004	05/31/2006
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Public School Teacher		

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
003	Noble, Dora 1903 N. 13th Ave. Pasco, WA 99301	A	H	06/01/2004	05/31/2008
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Public School Teacher		

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
004	Nelson, Kathryn A. 10211 12th Avenue South Seattle, WA 98108	A	C	06/16/2004	05/31/2008
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	Chair		
		Comments	Private School Teacher		

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
005	Bradley, Carolyn 8461 Benson Road Lynden, WA 98264	A	C	07/28/2004	05/31/2006
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	House D/Teacher		

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
006	Scutt, Ron Box 8 Stehekin, WA 98852	A	C	06/01/2004	05/31/2007
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	House R/Teacher		

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Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
007	Ullas, Yvonne 2700 Old Naches Highway Yakima, WA 98908	A	NA	07/28/2004	05/31/2008
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Senate D/Teacher		
Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
008	VACANT				05/31/2005
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Senate R/Teacher		
Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
009	VACANT				05/31/2005
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Superintendent		
Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
010	Koyama, David 17438 Bothell Way NE - C102 Bothell, WA 98011	A	AP	06/01/2004	05/31/2006
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Public School Principal		
Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
011	Mitchell, Gloria (Dr.) 1700 East Union Seattle, WA 98122	A	AA	06/15/2004	05/31/2007
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Public School Principal		
Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
012	Okamoto, Sharon 5220 S. Alaska St. Seattle, WA 98118	A	AP	06/01/2004	05/31/2008
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Private School Principal		
Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
013	Coar, Carol , WA	A	C	08/30/2004	05/31/2008
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Education Staff Associate		

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Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
014	Rademaker Simpson, Karen L. North 200 Bernard Spokane, Wa 99201	A	C	06/23/2004	05/31/2006
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Education Staff Associate		
Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
015	Fox, Sheila L. Woodring College of Education Miller Hall, Room 218 Bellingham, WA 98225	A	NA	06/15/2004	05/31/2006
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Higher Ed. Public		
Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
016	Bowers, Rebecca (Ms.) 400 East 8th Avenue Ellensburg, WA 98926-7415	A	NA	06/21/2004	05/31/2008
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Higher Ed. Public		
Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
017	Sterner, Dennis W. School of Education 300 West Hawthorne Road Spokane, WA 99251	A	C	06/01/2004	05/31/2007
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Higher Ed. Private		
Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
018	Rice, Martha PO Box 1400 S3-97 Richland, WA 99352	A	C	08/10/2004	05/31/2005
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Parent		
Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
019	Erskine, Roger 6033 Tiger Tail Drive SW Olympia, WA 98512	A	C	06/01/2004	05/31/2008
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	General Public		

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020	Frei, Vicki 2435 Easy St. Clarkston, WA 99403	A	C	06/01/2004	05/31/2005
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Classified instructional		