

ITEM FOR ACTION

OREGON SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION ELECTION

SUMMARY

The board will vote as a body to decide its votes on four items in the Oregon School Boards Association's 2023 election: two candidate elections, OSBA board position #16 and legislative policy committee position #16, and two resolutions, to create a rural school boards caucus with designated seats on the OSBA board and legislative policy committee, and to adopt amendments to the OSBA bylaws.

BACKGROUND

Beaverton School District is a member of the Oregon School Boards Association, a statewide association that supports K–12 public school boards, education service district boards, community college boards and the state board of education.

OSBA is governed by a member-elected board with 23 representatives elected from geographic regions across the state and a representative of the caucus of board members of color. OSBA also has a legislative policy committee, consisting of the OSBA board and additional elected regional representatives. Candidates for election must be nominated by official action of a member board within the region. Member boards in each region then vote to elect candidates to their region's board positions.

Member boards vote on candidates and resolutions during OSBA's annual election period in the fall. Voting is open from November 15 to December 15. Candidates are voted on by member boards in their region, and each board has one vote. Resolutions are voted on statewide, with a weighted voting system based on student population, so as a large district Beaverton has multiple votes. Boards vote as a body, not as individuals; a majority vote determines how the board's votes will be cast with OSBA.

The board is asked to vote on board position 16 and LPC position 16, each with a single candidate.

- OSBA Board Position 16 Tristan Irvin, Tigard-Tualatin School Board
- OSBA Legislative Policy Committee Position 16 Becky Tymchuk, Northwest Regional ESD Board

The board also is asked to vote on two resolutions:

- Resolution 1 Create the Oregon Rural School Board Members Caucus and designate a seat on the OSBA Board of Directors and Legislative Policy Committee
- Resolution 2 Adopt the proposed amendments to the OSBA Bylaws (the amendments include language establishing the rural caucus considered in Resolution 1)

Detailed information about the proposed resolutions and candidates is included in the agenda packet.

RECOMMENDATION

The board will vote as a body on each position and resolution, and staff will record the board's votes with OSBA.

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SUGGESTED MOTIONS

BOARD CANDIDATE:

MOTION: I move that the board support Tristan Irvin for OSBA Board Position 16. ALTERNATE: I move that the board abstain from voting on OSBA Board Position 16.

LPC CANDIDATE:

MOTION: I move that the board support Becky Tymchuk for OSBA Legislative Policy Committee Position 16. ALTERNATE: I move that the board abstain from voting on OSBA Legislative Policy Committee Position 16.

RESOLUTION 1:

I move that the board [SUPPORT / OPPOSE] OSBA Resolution 1, to create the Oregon Rural School Board Members Caucus and designate a seat on the OSBA Board of Directors and Legislative Policy Committee.

RESOLUTION 2:

I move that the board [SUPPORT / OPPOSE] OSBA Resolution 2, to adopt the proposed amendments to the OSBA Bylaws.