

**ITEM FOR ACTION****ELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR 2026–27****SUMMARY**

By statute and board policy, the board must annually elect a chair and vice chair as officers of the board.

**BACKGROUND**

Each year, no later than the first board meeting after July 1, the board elects a chair and vice chair to serve as board leadership for the year, per Board Policy BCB and Oregon Revised Statute 332.040. The term of office is 12 months, from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. State law allows a board member to serve as chair for no longer than four years in succession.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The board will elect the chair for the 2026–27 school year. The board will then elect the vice chair for the 2026–27 school year.

For the election of the chair, the acting board chair will open the floor for nominations, inviting the board to nominate one or more board members for the position. No second is required for nominations. Once one or more nominations have been made and no further nominations are forthcoming, the acting chair will close nominations and call for the vote. If only one person is nominated, board members will vote yes or no on selecting the nominee. If more than one person is nominated, board members will each vote for their preferred candidate. To be elected, a nominee must receive the votes of a quorum (4) of the board.

For the election of the vice chair, the board will follow the same procedure.

The persons elected will assume their duties as chair and vice chair on July 1.

**SUGGESTED MOTIONS**

I nominate \_\_\_\_\_ to be elected board chair for the 2026–27 school year.

I nominate \_\_\_\_\_ to be elected vice chair for the 2026–27 school year.

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