

# Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Committee on Rules and  
Executive Appointments

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BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst

RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



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## OREGON STATE HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD

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The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Oregon State Hospital Advisory Board subject to Senate confirmation.<sup>1</sup>

### New Appointees

Deena Feldes of Beaverton

Michael Sewell of Dallas

### Terms

July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2028

### Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 179.560 \(2023\)](#)

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

Not required.

### Composition<sup>3</sup>

The board consists of 16 members, 14 of whom are appointed by the Governor. Membership includes:

- three advocates for individuals with mental illness (SHEARN, VACANT, VACANT);
- three health care professionals working with individuals with mental illness (FERREIRA, VALENCIA, VACANT);
- two consumers of mental health services, including a former patient of the Oregon State Hospital in Salem (OSH) (HASKINS, RUGGLES);
- one family member of a consumer of mental health services (**FELDES**);
- two public members who live near OSH (**SEWELL**, VACANT);
- three public employee bargaining unit members employed by OSH, nonvoting:
  - one board-certified physician representative (VACANT);
  - one board-certified nursing staff representative (VACANT); and
  - one direct care services staff representative (THOMA);

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

<sup>2</sup> [ORS 244.050 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>3</sup> [ORS 179.560 \(2023\)](#); [ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2023\)](#) for diversity criteria.

- one senator, appointed by the President of the Senate, nonvoting (LIEBER); and
- one representative, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, nonvoting (VACANT).

Governor appointees serve four-year terms; legislators serve two-year terms. The Governor selects voting members to be chair and vice chair. Voting members may not have a financial interest in the Oregon State Hospital located in Salem.

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

The board must periodically review federal and state laws, administrative rules, policies, procedures, and protocols of the Oregon State Hospital related to patient safety, security, and care. It must report annually to the Legislative Assembly and may make recommendations to the superintendent of the Oregon State Hospital, the Director of the Oregon Health Authority, and the Legislative Assembly. The board may establish ad hoc committees to aid and advise the board in the performance of its functions.

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<sup>4</sup> [ORS 179.570 and 179.580 \(2023\)](#).



## State Hospital Advisory Board, Oregon

Agency: **Health Authority, Oregon**

Authorization: **ORS 179.560**

Min Members: **16** Max Members: **16**

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

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Health**

Board Admin: **New Director - TBD**

Address:

**Oregon State Hospital**

**2600 Center Street NE**

**Salem, OR 97301**

**503-945-2850**

## Current Appointments

**Ms Shearn, Javonnie D**

Advocate

Position Number: **2**

Term(s): **7/1/2021 - 6/30/2025**

**7/1/2017 - 6/30/2021**

**6/1/2017 - 6/30/2017**

**Valencia, George**

Healthcare Professional

Position Number: **3**

Term(s): **9/28/2022 - 6/30/2026**

**Mr Ferreira, Joshua L**

Health Care Professional

Position Number: **4**

Term(s): **7/1/2023 - 6/30/2027**

**11/25/2019 - 6/30/2023**

**Mr Ruggles, Paul J**

Consumer

Position Number: **5**

Term(s): **7/1/2019 - 6/30/2023**

**9/28/2018 - 6/30/2019**

**Mr Haskins, Isaac L**

Consumer

Position Number: **6**

Term(s): **10/1/2020 - 6/30/2024**

**Feldes, Deena**

Family of Consumer

Position Number: **8**

Term(s): **7/1/2024 - 6/30/2028**

**Ms Wrolstad, Kimberly A**

Family of Consumer

Position Number: **9**

Term(s): **7/1/2019 - 6/30/2023**

**7/1/2015 - 6/30/2019**

**Sewell, Michael**

Public Member

Position Number: **10**

Term(s): **7/1/2024 - 6/30/2028**

**Thoma, Kimberly "Kim" A** Term(s): **7/1/2020 - 6/30/2024**  
 Public Employee - Direct Care Services (non-voting) **9/23/2019 - 6/30/2020**  
 Position Number: **14**

**Sen. Lieber, Katherine "Kate" B** Term(s): -  
 Senate President's Appointment  
 Position Number: **16**

## Vacant Positions

Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
1	Mr Reed, Jeff R	Governor	9/23/2019	6/30/2023
1	Ms Child, Beckie	Governor	7/2/2012	7/1/2016
1	Ms Child, Beckie	Governor	10/1/2009	7/1/2012
Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
7	Mr Ruggles, Paul J	Governor	9/28/2018	6/30/2019
7	Mr Jaffke, Walter E	Governor	7/1/2015	6/30/2019
7	Mr Kirby, Matthew N	Governor	3/1/2012	6/30/2015
Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
11	Ms San Blise, Mary "Mary Lou" L	Governor	5/25/2018	6/30/2019
11	Mr Smith, Douglas W	Governor	7/1/2015	6/30/2019
11	Mr Warner, Frank E Jr	Governor	7/2/2010	7/1/2014
11	Mr Warner, Frank E Jr	Governor	10/1/2009	7/1/2010
Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
12	Thoma, Kimberly "Kim" A	Governor	9/23/2019	6/30/2020
12	Mr Underwood, James "Herschel" H	Governor	12/19/2016	6/30/2020
12	Mr Johnson, Brant L	Governor	10/1/2009	7/1/2013
Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
13	Dr Stone, Robert C DO	Governor	7/1/2017	6/30/2021
13	Dr Stone, Robert C DO	Governor	3/15/2017	6/30/2017
13	Dr Fritz, Steven E	Governor	7/1/2013	6/30/2017
13	Dr Reichlin, Kay M	Governor	6/1/2010	7/1/2012

<b>Pos</b>	<b>Former Member</b>	<b>Appointed By</b>	<b>Term Begin</b>	<b>Term End</b>
15	Representative Prusak, Rachel	Unknown		
15	Rep Greenlick, Mitch	House Speaker		
15	Representative Tomei, Carolyn	Governor		