



TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents
FROM: John L. D'Agati *John L. D'Agati*
SUBJECT: Reappointments to the State Professional Standards and Practices Board of Teaching

DATE: June 11, 2012

AUTHORIZATION(S):

John B. P. S. G.
SUMMARY

Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)

Should the Board of Regents approve reappointments and a change to membership category for current members of the State Professional Standards and Practices Board for Teaching?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Required by State regulation

Proposed Handling

This question will come before the full Board at its June 2012 meeting where it will be voted on and action taken.

Procedural History

Terms for members of the State Professional Standards and Practices Board for Teaching are set forth in Regents Rule 3.14. The Board of Regents appoints members to four-year terms, with the exception of the teacher education student member, who is appointed to a two-year term. Board co-chairs are appointed for two-year terms.

Background Information

There are currently six vacancies on the Board. One of these vacancies is for a higher education member, to be filled by a provost or chief academic officer. One vacancy is for a teacher member. Two vacancies are for public members. One vacancy is for a school administrator and one vacancy is for a student member. Several of these

vacancies will be for uncompleted terms due to membership resignation before the completion of the member's term.

We will continue to canvas and interview for these membership vacancies during the course of the summer. Our goal is to have most of these vacancies filled for the upcoming September 2012 Professional Standards and Practices Board meeting.

The terms of four members on the Standards Board will expire as of June 30, 2012. Two of these members are being recommended for reappointment to the Board, each for an additional four-year term. Sharon Eghigian and Gertrude Bantle, current teacher members, are being recommended for reappointment. Julius Adams, current higher education member, has taken a new position and is being recommended to a public member vacancy. A brief biographical sketch for these members and a list of the current membership are attached.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Regents approve the following reappointments to the State Professional Standards and Practices Board for Teaching: Sharon Eghigian (teacher member) to complete the term beginning June 18, 2012 and ending June 30, 2016, Gertrude Bantle (teacher member) to complete the term beginning June 18, 2012 and ending June 30, 2016.

It is recommended that the Board of Regents approve the following change of membership category to the State Professional Standards and Practices Board for Teaching: Julius Adams from a higher education member to a public member and to complete the term beginning June 18, 2012 and ending June 30, 2016.

Timetable for Implementation

Members' terms will begin immediately upon appointment.

The University of the State of New York
The State Education Department

State Professional Standards and Practices Board for Teaching

Dr. Julius Adams
Director of the University at Buffalo
Education Opportunity Center
State University of New York

Membership Category:
Public Member

Dr. Julius Adams is the newly appointed director of the University at Buffalo's Educational Opportunity Center which provides programs to prepare low-income and non-traditional students for higher education and jobs.

He was Associate Dean for Special Initiatives in Education and Director of Accreditation at Daemen College. He is the immediate past president of the New York State Association of Teacher Educators (NYSATE). From 2006-2010 he served as Associate and Acting Dean at St. John Fisher College, from 2002-2006 as Associate Dean for Teacher Education at SUNY Buffalo and from 1997-2002 as Director at the School of Education at SUNY Fredonia. As an administrator he actively reviewed and revised the teacher education programs he oversaw to ensure they were in-line with State regulations and best practices. He directed efforts toward Fredonia's teacher education programs NCATE accreditation and co-chaired all activities related to SUNY Buffalo's TEAC accreditation. While at Buffalo he served on the SUNY Provost's Teacher Advisory Council, and was appointed co-convenor of the SUNY Deans and Directors of Professional/Education Programs and served as liaison between the SUNY Provost's Office, NYSED and the SUNY Deans and Directors.

Prior to being an administrator, Dr. Adams was an Associate Professor at SUNY Fredonia. He taught undergraduate courses in educational psychology, adolescent psychology, adolescent developmental, early childhood education, developmental psychology, and developmental learning and assessment in children. During his tenure as professor he was the recipient of the 1996 Who's Who Among America's Teachers, the 1993 Exemplary Service Award, the 1993 State University of New York Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching, and the 1991 Teacher of the Year award.

Dr. Adams received a B.A. in Psychology from SUNY Buffalo, a M.A. in Educational Psychology from SUNY Buffalo and a Ph.D. in Educational Psychology from SUNY Buffalo.

Gertrude Bantle
Social Studies Teacher
Fairport Central Schools
Fairport, New York

Membership Category:
Educator/ Teacher

Ms. Bantle has been teaching social studies for 38 years, 32 of them at Fairport High School in Rochester, NY. She is currently co-teaching in a mainstreamed classroom with students with multiple disabilities, preparing them for the New York State Regents Examination. She voluntarily works with students who failed the Global History or U.S. History Regents to help them successfully meet the graduation requirement.

Ms. Bantle is a National Board Certified Teacher and is a Candidate Support Provider Trainer for the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards. She created a candidate support group in the Greater Rochester area to help teachers understand standards based assessment. She also has certifications in Social Studies, K-12 Special Education, School Building and School District Administration.

She challenged herself professionally to keep up with technology in order to better integrate technology in the classroom to help her students. Along the way she completed the Google Apps certification exams to become a master trainer. To continue her own professional growth in technology, she developed and taught on-line courses as a part time faculty member at Penn State: World Campus. She also taught a Capstone Portfolio course and a course on Differentiation in the Classroom while an adjunct faculty member at Nazareth College.

Ms. Bantle has a B.S. from SUNY at Geneseo, a Master of Science from Nazareth College and an Advanced Certificate in School District Administration from SUNY Brockport.

Sharon Eghigian
English as a Second Language Teacher
Columbus School
Utica, New York

Membership Category:
Educator/ Teacher

Ms. Eghigian began her teaching career serving in the Peace Corps as a Biology teacher on the Fiji Islands. She holds New York State and National Board Certification in English as a New or Second Language. She has been teaching in the Utica City School District for the past 20 years. In addition to classroom teaching, Ms. Eghigian has taught college level content in Puerto Rico and English as a Second Language (ESL) in Malaysia. She is also an ESL teacher at Mohawk Valley Community College and the Mohawk Valley Resource Center for Refugees.

Ms. Eghigian facilitated the development of the K-5 ESL curriculum for the Utica City School District. She is a trainer in Sheltered Instruction and has developed ESL workshops for the elementary teachers in her district. She has mentored new teachers

and teacher candidates in her district. She has served on the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) Board of Examiners and has worked with the State Education Department to assess teacher preparation exams and the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test.

Ms. Eghigian has a B.A. in Biology from St. Lawrence University and a Master's in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages from the School for International Training.

Membership
State Professional Standards and Practices Board for Teaching

As of May 31, 2012

<p>Dr. Gerald M. Mager, Co-Chair School of Education Syracuse University 150 Huntington Hall Syracuse, New York 13244-2340 Term Expires: June 30, 2015</p>	<p>Debra Calvino, Co-Chair Valley Central High School 1175 St. Rt. 17K Montgomery, New York Term Expires: June 30, 2014</p>
<p>Dr. Julius Gregg Adams Associate Dean for Special Initiatives Daemen College Duns Scotus 352 4380 Main Street Amherst, New York 14226 Term Expires: June 30, 2014</p>	<p>Mr. Richard R. Ahola 4568 Lakeview Road Dundee, NY 14837 Term Expires: June 30, 2014</p>
<p>David Babikian North Syracuse School District 5355 West Taft Road North Syracuse, New York 13212 Term Expires: June 30, 2016</p>	<p>Getrude Bantle Fairport High School 1 Dave Paddock Way Fairport, New York 14450 Term Expires: June 30, 2012</p>
<p>Dr. Coleen Clay, Department Chair Teacher Education Department York College CUNY 94-20 Guy Brewer Blvd. Jamaica, New York 11451 Term Expires: June 30, 2013</p>	<p>Ms. Allison Cugini New York City Department of Education 715 Ocean Terrace Room 319, Building A Staten Island, New York 10301 Term Expires: June 30, 2014</p>
<p>Dr. Kate Daboll-Lavoie Nazareth College 4245 East Avenue Rochester, New York 14618 Term Expires: June 30, 2014</p>	<p>Dr. Stephen Danna Hadley-Luzerne Central School 273 Lake Avenue Lake Luzerne, New York 12846 Term Expires: June 30, 2012</p>
<p>Khieta Davis Flower City School #54 311 Flower City Park Rochester, New York 14615 Term Expires: June 30, 2013</p>	<p>Maria DeWald Dutchess County BOCES 900 Dutchess Tpke. Poughkeepsie, New York 12603 Term Expires: June 30, 2014</p>

<p>Sharon Eghigian Columbus School Utica City School District Utica, New York 13403 Term Expires: June 30,2012</p>	<p>Dr. Jan P. Hammond SUNY College at New Paltz School of Education, FOB, N13 1 Hawk Drive New Paltz, New York 12561 Term Expires: June 30, 2014</p>
<p>Dr. R. Lloyd Jaeger Millbrook Central School District P.O. Box AA Millbrook, New York 12545 Term Expires: June 30, 2014</p>	<p>John Mahony Questar III Columbia-Greene Educational Center 131 Union Turnpike Hudson, New York 12534 Term Expires: June 30, 2013</p>
<p>Ms. Susan W. Mittler Ithaca Teachers Association Ithaca City School District 1375 North Cayuga Street Ithaca, New York 14850 Term Expires: June 30, 2013</p>	<p>Dr. Ruth Pagerey Assistant Provost SUNY System Administration State University Plaza Albany, New York 12246 Term Expires: June 30, 2015</p>
<p>Dr. Gale Sookdeo Susan B. Anthony IS 238 Q 88-15 182nd Street Hollis, New York 11423 Term Expires: June 30, 2015</p>	<p>Ellen Sullivan Board Member Greater Capital Region Teacher Center University at Albany-East Campus 120 Clermont Street Albany, New York 12203 Term Expires: June 30, 2015</p>
<p>Tony Vargas Teach for America/New York 519 8th Avenue, 15th Floor New York, NY 10018 Term Expires: June 30, 2015</p>	<p>James Vasquez Newcomers High School 28-01 41st Avenue Long Island City, New York 11354 Term Expires: June 30, 2015</p>