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STATE OF HAWAII
HAWAIʻI TEACHER STANDARDS BOARD
BUDGET, PERSONNEL, AND STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

Remote Technology via Zoom

650 Iwilei Road, Suite 158
Honolulu, HI 96817

Friday, April 24, 2026

PRESENT IN-PERSON:

Kristi Miyamae, Ex Officio Committee Member, Board Chair

PRESENT ONLINE:

Justin Mew, Committee Chair
Dr. Tammi Oyadomari-Chun for Keith Hayashi, Committee Vice Chair
Deanna D'Olier, Committee Member
Dr. Dion Dizon for Dr. Mark Sung Alapaki Luke, Committee Member
Daphne Okunaga, Committee Member
Dondra Ozaki, Ex Officio Committee Member, Board Vice Chair

EXCUSED:

Dale Arakaki, Committee Member

STAFF:

Felicia Villalobos, Board Executive Director
Dr. Mitzie Higa, Licensing Specialist
Tracey Idica, NBCT, Licensing Specialist
Kaulana Molina, NBCT, Licensing Specialist
Kris Murakami, Esq., Licensing Specialist
Dr. Jennifer Padua, Licensing Specialist

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM

Committee Chair Justin Mew called the Hawaiʻi Teacher Standards Board ("HTSB") Budget, Personnel, and Strategic Planning Committee ("Committee") meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

Committee Chair Mew iterated HTSB's Mission and Vision. He shared information regarding procedures for virtual committee meetings, then called roll call and established quorum. Ex Officio Committee Member Kristi Miyamae was present in-person. Committee Chair Mew; Committee Vice Chair Dr. Tammi Oyadomari-Chun; Committee Members Deanna D'Olier, Dr. Dion Dizon, and Daphne Okunaga; and Ex Officio Committee Member Dondra Ozaki were present online. Committee Member Dale Arakaki was excused.

Committee Chair Mew shared information regarding non-public site disclosure. None of the Committee Members participating online had anyone present with them to disclose. Committee Chair Mew shared additional information regarding meeting protocols and procedures.

B. PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEMS

No one signed up for online or in-person public testimony.

C. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee Chair Mew welcomed new board members Daphne Okunaga and Dale Arakaki.

D. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

The minutes of the September 12, 2025, meeting was approved as written.

II. PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEMS

No one signed up for online or in-person public testimony. Board Executive Director Felicia Villalobos ("ED Villalobos") announced that all written testimony that was submitted before 4:30 p.m. yesterday has been uploaded to the HTSB website.

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun asked if there was any testimony submitted after 4:30 p.m. yesterday until the start of this meeting. ED Villalobos replied that there was none.

III. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Update: 2025-2026 Budget Update

Committee Chair Mew reviewed HTSB's current budget for the 25-26 Fiscal Year from July 1, 2025, through March 31, 2026. He highlighted that HTSB has used about 55% of the current budget and is expected to use the remaining balance by the end of the fiscal year by encumbering funds to suppliers and vendors for goods and services needed through November 2026.

Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae asked if ED Villalobos could give an update on the new office location that some of the monies was being saved for.

Committee Chair Mew called upon ED Villalobos. ED Villalobos reported that the search for a new location is still going through the approval process as it has been taking longer than anticipated, for about a couple of years now, and HTSB's business manager has been contacting the different state agencies to see if there's anything we can do to help move it forward. ED Villalobos anticipates we will know within the next year and hopes the new larger space will include a board meeting room so that HTSB will no longer have to rent a meeting space.

Committee Chair Mew asked the Committee if there were any questions or discussion. There were no questions or discussion from the Committee.

ACTION — No action was taken on this update item.

B. NBI 25-37: The Hawaiʻi Teacher Standards Board Budget for 2026-2027

Committee Chair Mew reviewed New Business Item ("NBI") 25-37, including its Rationale/Background. He explained that the proposed budget is based on what HTSB believes will be allocated as the same amount as this fiscal year and that the amounts are subject to change depending on the Hawaiʻi Department of Education ("HIDOE"). Committee Chair Mew also pointed out that the budget categories in this new budget differs from current categories used in this fiscal year's financial reports in an attempt to align our HTSB budget with what our growing statutes empower the full board ("Board") to do and what HTSB focuses on.

Committee Chair Mew asked the Committee if there were any questions or discussion.

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun wanted to clarify that HIDOE does not approve, control, or make any decisions about the HTSB's budget. She explained that the legislature could potentially take any action before end of session regarding the changes in the budget for next year, and since HTSB is administratively attached to the HIDOE, then the Governor's Office through the Department of Budget and Finance, could potentially restrict HTSB's budget as well as all state departments, sometimes at the beginning of the year.

Committee Chair Mew thanked her for clarifying as he understood and asked the Committee members if they understood it as well. He further explained that if there are any changes in the HTSB's allocation, then the Committee, the executive director, and the board chair will meet and redo the budget.

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun also wanted to know more on the reorganization of the different categories in the budget and wanted clarification as to whether it is just a realignment of how it's presented, or if there is a more substantive change in emphasis in terms of direction on how the resources are allocated for next year. Committee Chair Mew called upon ED Villalobos. ED Villalobos explained that HTSB's new Business Manager Tammy Nochi ("BM Nochi") looked at HTSB statutes, and made sure the categories aligned better with the budget, including looking at previous fiscal years and how the Board spent funds so there were no major changes.

Committee Chair Mew then called upon BM Nochi to further explain the reorganization of categories. BM Nochi explained that the categories were mainly for reporting purposes of what HTSB has spent this past fiscal year and how allocation notices are crafted. It did not substantially refocus efforts but rather an effort to better organize HTSB's expenditures and encumbrances.

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun understood what BM Nochi said about reorganizing it into different categories and not shifting resources in terms of the intent of the activities of the Board.

Committee Chair Mew asked the Committee if there were any questions or discussion. There were no questions or discussion from the Committee.

Committee Chair Mew called for a roll call vote on whether or not to recommend NBI 25-37, as written, to the Board at the general business meeting scheduled at 2:45 p.m.:

AYE (6)	Oyadomari-Chun, D'Olier, Dizon, Okunaga, Miyamae, Ozaki
NAY (0)	
DID NOT VOTE (1)	Mew
EXCUSED (1)	Arakaki

ACTION — The Budget, Personnel, and Strategic Planning Committee voted to recommend NBI 25-37, as written, to the Board.

C. NBI 25-38: The Hawaiʻi Teacher Standards Board Election of Board Officers and Committee Assignments for 2026-2027

Committee Chair Mew reviewed NBI 25-38, including its Rationale/Background. He pointed out the two vacancies for the chair position and the vice chair position. He explained that once the Boards and Commissions issue the oath for those who are being forwarded by the Senate, then next school year's Board will be looking at the committee assignments and filling in the vacancies at the next Board meeting. Committee Chair Mew also announced that his name was not listed because his term ended today and that there will be an upcoming Board retreat where current and new board members will be going to a training about being on the HTSB.

Committee Chair Mew asked the Committee if there were any questions or discussion.

Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae shared that the chairperson seat is vacant because she was not confirmed by the Senate. She expressed the importance of staying true to HTSB's Vision and Mission. She followed the rules that are in place. She said when you look at the bills that go through and have to make decisions even though there will be those that will disagree and have their own agenda of what they want. She reminded everyone to stay true to the mission and vision because it is the students in the classroom that are at stake and found it sad to be leaving after volunteering for five years, seeing a lot of teachers with the knowledge based are being replaced.

Committee Chair Mew thanked Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae for her service.

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun expressed there were a lot of changes starting on July 1st. She explained there are about six potential appointments or reappointments and suggest this NBI be approved as an interim measure and then revisited in the fall, once the new members are on and the vacancies are filled.

Committee Chair Mew had the same sentiment. He noted this practice has been done in the past, in which the NBI is amended with new Board members.

Committee Chair Mew asked if there were no questions or discussions, he would like this committee to recommend the NBI to the full Board.

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun wanted clarification if a motion needed to be made to amend the NBI. ED Villalobos replied that no motion was needed as this is just a recommendation from this Committee to the Board. Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun suggested that this committee say recommend to the Board but will revisit this process in August.

ED Villalobos asked Committee Chair Mew if he would like her to explain the process. He confirmed that ED Villalobos can explain the process. ED Villalobos explained that since she has been a board member since 2012, it has been past practice for NBIs to have multiple revisions because during the year, when the legislature is not in session, HTSB will get nominations from the Boards and Commissions and a board member cannot sit on the Board until the Oath of Office has been notarized and sent back to the Boards and Commissions. She mentioned that there is no need to add additional language as NBIs can always come up for revision at any board meeting and at anytime. It is up to the chair of the committee or the board chair themselves. ED Villalobos further explained how the NBI for the budget goes throught the same process every time there may be cuts or shortages and need to be recalibrated. She added this NBI and the Budget is often revisited throughout the year.

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun replied that she wants to be clear that when new members join, they are usually slotted into spaces so they can join committees. With the potentially new members coming on, she wanted to relook and ensure new members fit into the vacancy slots or take on leadership positions so going forward that on the record that there will be an amendment of changing the NBI.

Committee Member Okunaga stated that what Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun said made sense to her.

Committee Member Dr. Dizon stated that she heard what was being said and of wanting to make sure since even the chair positions are open. She mentioned that it sounded pretty fluid in terms of people coming off and on and wasn't sure if was necessary to have an interim in between because if it changes anyway.

Committee Chair Mew asked the staff if they wanted to add a clause to NBI 25-38 and if so, suggest the verbiage. He also suggested continuing the practice of amending the NBI as new members filled the vacancies or got assigned to the different committees.

Committee Member D'Olier stated she was in support of the recommendation that the NBI be revisited in the new fiscal year once the new board members have been confirmed and slotted in and then take a vote on approving.

Committee Chair Mew instructed the staff to come up with language to add to the document if the sentiment is to amend this NBI to include verbiage in response to Board Member D'Olier and that it's not only at the beginning of the year but anytime we have new members who are put on board by the Boards and Commissions and that this Committee will have to meet and re-approve the new lineup.

Committee Member Dr. Dizon wanted to make sure that the language captured that this amendment is being suggested because of the circumstances of the high number of vacancies and not as a matter of course. She did not want it to be recorded as this being the practice going forward, but this is happening due to the high number of vacancies.

Committee Chair Mew stated that he understood and that it was Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun's sentiment as well.

Ex Officio Committee Member Ozaki also agreed with what was being said about the situation of having so many vacancies and that a vote would not have to be done every single time.

Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae wanted to point out that the rationale on the NBI does already address the whole that when a new board is constituted, and when new members are seated, then the incoming board is responsible for selecting its officers and committee members.

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun stated that she personally would be satisfied by the record confirming the intent of the committee, that under the circumstances with the large number of incoming board members, the intention of the recommendation is to allow this to go forward so business can carry on with the expectation that the officers and committee assignments would be revisited when the new year starts and for understanding that's meant to not just fill the vacant places but to really re-look, a fresh look, at it with the new membership.

Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae also wanted to ask ED Villalobos about what would happen in terms of procedure-wise and how this would work going forward.

ED Villalobos hoped that the board members could solidify the language they wanted to amend on this new NBI and requested that Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun add her language in the chat so that it would not put the burden on HTSB staff to create the language and made sure it captured what the Committee members wanted and not our HTSB staff members. She explained that after that is done, in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, there needs to be a second for the amendment and then a vote on that amendment. ED Villalobos pointed out that last year's NBI went through five different introductions and every time before a committee has to vote, the new board members and committee members have to be on that committee by a vote from the Board which is in accordance to Robert's Rules. ED Villalobos noted that the language wasn't there before, but if the committee wanted to put that language in, then that would be fine. If the Board would like to meet prior to their first board meeting in August, then it would need to be advertised and a quorum established, similar with the meeting rules. She noted that if the Board wanted to meet just on this agenda item before the first August meeting, then that can happen, but most likely this new NBI item is going to be on the August meeting as "reintroduced" because things may happen over the summer.

Committee Chair Mew requested that Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun add her amended language in the chat. He thanked the Committee for the discussion and requested that they go back into the minutes from the previous meeting and see those five changes that were done over the course of time.

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun shared that she tried to reflect what she heard some of the other members said as well and reiterated her recommendation that it is to have something reflected in the minutes about the intent as opposed to revising the NBI itself.

Committee Chair Mew understood what Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun shared and advised the Committee to look at the NBI as written but reflect in the minutes about what Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun just said.

Committee Chair Mew asked if there was any further discussion.

Committee Member Dr. Dizon shared that she did not want to put the burden on the staff and put in the chat something that may be reflected in the minutes: "*Under the circumstances of a high number of incoming Board Members this fiscal year, this committee wants it reflected in the minutes that the Board reviews committee assignments once the new members are officially seated.*"

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun thought it was helpful and wanted a revision. Dr. Dizon replied that Dr. Oyamodmari-Chun could revise it since it is in the chat box. Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun thought it should have said, "committee assignments and leadership roles," and thought it should also include, "chair and vice chair." Committee Member Dr. Dizon stated, "committee assignments mean all".

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun had posted the most recent comments in the chat that was to be reflected in the minutes which stated: *"Under the circumstance of a high number of incoming Board Members this fiscal year, this committee wants it reflected in the minutes that the Board reviews officers and committee assignments once the new members are officially seated."*

Committee Member D'Olier stated that she also supported the most recent comments in the chat.

Committee Chair Mew called for a roll call vote on whether or not to recommend NBI 25-38, as written, to the Board at the general business meeting scheduled at 2:45 p.m.:

AYE (7)	Mew, Oyadomari-Chun, D'Olier, Dizon, Okunaga, Miyamae, Ozaki
NAY (0)	
EXCUSED (1)	Arakaki

ACTION — The Budget, Personnel, and Strategic Planning Committee voted to recommend NBI 25-38, as written, to the Board.

D. NBI 25-39: The Hawai‘i Teacher Standards Board Meeting Schedule for 2026-2027

Committee Chair Mew reviewed NBI 25-39, including its Rationale/Background. He noted this is developed by using the current school year's dates and scheduling it as close to the dates as possible and ensuring there would be quorum. He also pointed out that there is no meeting scheduled for February because of Teacher Institute Week for the entire state. He reviewed the cost for renting out the rooms and possible travel cost for neighbor island board members.

Committee Chair Mew asked the Committee if there were any questions or discussion.

Committee Member Okunaga wanted to know if the new board members will be invited to the June retreat even though their term does not start till July 1st or if it will be rescheduled. Committee Chair Mew called on ED Villalobos to respond.

ED Villalobos confirmed that new Board members start on July 1st and are waiting for their Oath of Office.

Board Member Okunaga asked if the new Board members who do not get the Oath of Office before July or before June, the retreat date, if they won't be invited to the retreat.

ED Villalobos mentioned anyone can go and does not expect meeting business and this is a public event. She mentioned that it will be like last year's Summer Summit and there will no board business being conducted as the Board cannot convene all together without public notice. She mentioned that the summit is agendized at the general session so it can be discussed more at that time.

Committee Chair Mew asked the Committee if there were any questions or discussion. There were no questions or discussion from the Committee.

Committee Chair Mew called for a roll call vote on whether or not to recommend NBI 25-39, as written, to the Board at the general business meeting scheduled at 2:45 p.m.:

AYE (7)	Mew, Oyadomari-Chun, D’Olier, Dizon, Okunaga, Miyamae, Ozaki
NAY (0)	
EXCUSED (1)	Arakaki

ACTION — The Budget, Personnel, and Strategic Planning Committee voted to recommend NBI 25-39, as written, to the Board.

E. NBI 25-40: Approval of the Hawai‘i Teacher Standards Board 2026-2031 Strategic Plan

Committee Chair Mew reviewed NBI 25-40, including its Rationale/Background. He shared that there was a setback during COVID and that the development timeline of this plan started in June 2025, where the initial framework was developed during the HTSB Summer Summit.

Licensing Specialist Murakami (“LS Murakami”) interjected for timekeeping purposes and alerted Committee Chair Mew that the next committee was agendized to commence at 10 a.m. which gave less than half an hour left.

Committee Chair Mew pointed out pages 8, 9, and 11 of the Strategic Plan to show the stakeholders that were invited or participated, the process it took, and the five priorities.

Committee Chair Mew asked the Committee if there were any questions or discussion.

Committee Member Okunaga found it a little misleading on the page that mentioned who was invited and provided feedback. She thought it was odd that it only said "community stakeholder" when only one person or one entity provided feedback when everyone could have been invited.

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun suggested that the Strategic Plan be tabled and discussed more at the summit due to the given time and importance of the evaluation and contract discussion that was more time-sensitive than other items on the agenda.

Committee Chair Mew stated that it is up to this Committee to decide to go with what Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun had suggested of tabling this NBI for the next meeting or to adopt it and then come back to see how it goes, given the work that was already done by the groups.

Committee Member Dr. Dizon wanted to know, in terms of Committee Chair Mew's point of adopting the Strategic Plan and then revisiting it, if there were any objections or questions that were substantive to the actual Strategic Plan besides just the question of participation and input.

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun stated she previously shared with Chair Mew some concerns. She was not prepared to vote in support of a five-year Strategic Plan and felt there were big outstanding issues to address that were worth further discussion, or perhaps a revision. She had some questions about the extent to which some of the priorities were and if they were sufficient enough to address the workforce needs that the HTSB has an important part of. She mentioned that given all the testimony from today's meetings, that it was important to think about the board's stance relative to the educator preparation programs and possible revisions.

Committee Member Dr. Dizon asked Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun if it is similar to the other item of having a commitment to revisit the NBI after the new board members are seated. Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun wanted to know the time-sensitive nature of having to approve it now versus waiting. Committee Member Dr. Dizon wanted to know if it was Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun's intent to leave the discussion open and not have a clear direction or either redoing the Strategic Plan once we have all the seats filled or revisiting what's already here and work from there.

Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae mentioned that the last Strategic Plan already expired so she recommended that the Board has one in place going forward with the understanding that it could always be revisited. She pointed out that there were matters that were brought up that were more about employment and not so much the standards board. She shared that she would like to see this NBI go forward as it has been worked on since the last Summer Summit and input has been received froem all stakeholders throughout the whole process. Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae wanted to see the strategic plan move forward.

Committee Member D'Olier shared that she agreed with Priority 5 but felt that it might still be too narrow. She personally would like time to revisit. She wanted to know, in terms of the fluidity of the Strategic Plan, if it should be implemented and approved to have it revisited and amended on a regular ongoing basis to ensure that it encapsulates the overarching mission of the Board.

Committee Chair Mew mentioned that you could either adopt it and see how it goes or suggested another group called the Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) that could meet and review the Strategic Plan if they felt that it needed to be revisited more. He elaborated that this was done at the summit and followed the timeline.

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun stated that the Strategic Plan is a living document and can be revisited and revised. She suggested that something be put in place and then maybe look at it annually or every two years but not month to month. She does not expect the Strategic Plan to be revisited in the fall even after something gets approved by the Board. She appreciated the work the people had put into the Strategic Plan but still does not feel ready to vote “yes”.

Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae stated that an NBI will need to be submitted so that it can address Committee Member D’Olier’s question of having the Strategic Plan revisited and the NBI can be amended on an ongoing basis.

Committee Chair Mew also added that it would be this Committee that monitors progress and would provide additional information for revision. He also agreed with Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun’s point that you wouldn’t want to revise it very often, but it is annually reviewed. He also shared that the review could be during a PIG because that would require a lot more time than at a committee meeting.

Committee Chair Mew asked the Committee if there were any questions or discussion. There were no questions or discussion from the Committee.

Committee Chair Mew called for a roll call vote on whether or not to recommend NBI 25-40, as written, to the Board at the general business meeting scheduled at 2:45 p.m.

AYE (4)	Mew, Dizon, Miyamae, Ozaki
NAY (3)	Oyadomari-Chun, D’Olier, Okunaga
EXCUSED (1)	Arakaki

ACTION — The Budget, Personnel, and Strategic Planning Committee voted to recommend NBI 25-40, as written, to the Board.

F. NBI 25-41: The Hawai‘i Teacher Standards Board Executive Director’s Evaluation Recommendation for 2025-2026

Committee Chair Mew reviewed NBI 25-41, including its Rationale/Background. He pointed out that the summary is correct on the NBI up front; however, the backup document for the board members included nine responses, but there were actually ten. The ten responses did not change the determination of the overall rating.

Committee Chair Mew asked the Committee if there were any questions or discussion.

Committee Member D’Olier requested to review the updated results, given that the ten responses might not be accurately recorded.

Committee Chair Mew called on Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae to explain the nine versus ten responses. Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae found that there was one response that did not get recorded when she copied the responses through after the deadline. She wanted to honor and make sure it was reflected and sent the response as soon as she realized the mistake, so the information was updated and given to Committee Chair Mew and was not sure if it was available for Board members. Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae asked ED Villalobos if it was updated. ED Villalobos stated that only the board member results were not right, but the calculations on this NBI was correct and confirmed by board chair. She informed Committee Chair Mew that he can share the results now since there were only ten responses. Committee Chair Mew gave the Committee five minutes to review.

LS Murakami interjected and suggested that in the interest of time, procedurally, it would be prudent to defer the actual evaluation until the Board, otherwise there will not be an opportunity to have the evaluation decided on. She further explained that in the General Meeting, by deferring the NBI with the first and second, it will be turned to the Board and be able to have an appreciable time to discuss and fully absorb and digest all the information at this time.

Committee Chair Mew appreciated the consult and became aware that the next NBI 25-42 was related to this NBI.

Licensing Specialist Murakami suggested to amend these two particular NBIs and defer them to the Board so that it would be consistent with what the Committee has intended or decides to do with respect to these two matters. She explained that as of now it reads silent and would want to make sure that it's consistent for procedural purposes.

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun asked if it was possible to schedule a future meeting to be able to have a full discussion. She highlighted that the Board meeting was already full of action items on programs, and the executive session was full of individual decisions and thought that if it was pushed off to Board, the Board would be pressed for time as well.

Committee Chair Mew asked ED Villalobos if we needed to call a special meeting of this Board because the importance, in terms of timeliness, of getting this to the Board of Education ("BOE"). ED Villalobos explained that the BOE had already put our Board Chair tentatively on the agenda for May 7th and that the recommendation would go there if it's in the positive. She further explained that the Board does not meet during summers because it is hard to get quorum when everyone is off on trips and there will be no executive director starting July 1st if the Board cannot establish quorum. ED Villalobos noted that only this NBI would need to be amended if it's going to be deferred to the Board and needs to be first and seconded since it didn't come out of Committee with any recommendation as LS Murakami had mentioned and it doesn't guarantee that there's going to be quorum for a board meeting before the board items need to be turned in to the BOE by May 7th.

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun mentioned that the BOE will also have a meeting in June so there might be a possibility of giving more wiggle room to find a later meeting date. E

D Villalobos shared that the last time she tried to call board meetings that were not on the agenda, they never made quorum because of summer plans. She reinforced that there will be no executive director starting on July 1, 2026.

Committee Chair Mew believed that the NBI should be brought to the Board as the evaluation is important to address given the time contraints to make a determination. He also understood Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun's concern about the Board agenda is already being full. Committee Chair Mew asked LS Murakami with help suggesting the language to amend the NBI for the Board this afternoon.

LS Murakami believed that the reason for the amendment is that there was some concern with respect to the initial evaluation of nine member responses and then having the updated version with ten member responses.

Committee Member D'Olier wanted to know if the revised evaluation was shared publicly at any time and if it is accessible even between now and the general meeting for anyone to review it. Committee Chair Mew called on ED Villalobos to respond. ED Villalobos explained that the amendment is not given to the public in advance because it's amended through the committee. If the Committee wanted to amend just that section to accept that one late response from the board members - as the rest of all the information, such as the new business item, the staff's evaluation, and the executive director's own evaluation, was all still up to date - then like any amendment, the Committee would do the language and have it already put together and given to the Board for review. She mentioned to the Committee that they can amend it now and take a few minutes that's left from Committee and then after they vote on amending and want to defer it to the Board, that would take another vote.

Committee Member Okunaga wanted to know if the graph with the statistics was with nine or ten responses from just our Board or that's the Board and staff. Committee Chair Mew said it was the Board only.

Committee Member Okunaga also wanted to know why the metrics weren't given for the staff as well. ED Villalobos mentioned that Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae is the one that calculated the stats so she can explain how she came up with it, and that it was also for the ten responses, not the nine. Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae explained that there were three evaluations that went out- the board members, HTSB staff, and the executive director, which the staff one is correct. She further explained that when she saved the PDF for the board members, she did not save the one with the late response. The metrics on the NBI are correct, that is based on the ten. Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae said that she submitted the new graphics that represented the ten board members with the results and if the NBI gets amended, then the new document can be added into there.

Committee Member Dr. Dizon wanted to know if it was submitted on time and if it was just a technical error on why it wasn't included because she believed the recommendation was to include all ten and defer NBI 25-41 and 42 to the Board for a decision because we didn't have a chance to make a recommendation in Committee.

Committee Vice Chair Dr. Oyadomari-Chun wanted to know if the updated survey should be reposted as updated materials as opposed to being voted on by this Committee as part of the evaluation and thought that should be a Deputy Attorney General question.

Committee Member Dr. Dizon mentioned in terms of Sunshine Law, she understood it as if it didn't make the cutoff in terms of posting, then there's no obligation to consider things that weren't actually provided within the confines of Sunshine Law. She further explained why she wanted clarity because she now heard that an amendment to include it could be made at the committee level, but could not confirm if that was correct or not.

Committee Chair Mew asked for a motion to amend NBI 25-41.

Committee Member Dr. Dizon made a motion to amend NBI 25-41 to include the submission that was inadvertently excluded by technical error and for deferment of this NBI to the Board.

Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae seconded the motion.

Committee Chair Mew called for a roll call vote on the motion to amend and defer NBI 25-41~~, as written,~~ to the Board at the general business meeting scheduled at 2:45 p.m.:

AYE (5)	Mew, Dizon, Okunaga, Miyamae, Ozaki
NAY (2)	Oyadomari-Chun, D'Olier
EXCUSED (1)	Arakaki

ACTION — The Budget, Personnel, and Strategic Planning Committee voted to amend and defer NBI 25-41~~, as written,~~ to the Board.

G. NBI 25-42: The Hawaiʻi Teacher Standards Board Executive Director Recommendation to the Board of Education

Committee Chair Mew explained that NBI 25-42 would need to be deferred to the Board due to not having enough time for discussion.

Ex Officio Committee Member Miyamae made a motion to defer NBI 25-42 to the Board. Ex Officio Committee Member Ozaki seconded the motion.

Committee Chair Mew called for a roll call vote on the motion to defer NBI 25-42, as written, to the Board at the general business meeting scheduled at 2:45 p.m.

AYE (4)	Mew, Dizon, Miyamae, Ozaki
NAY (3)	Oyadomari-Chun, D'Olier, Okunaga
EXCUSED (1)	Arakaki

ACTION — The Budget, Personnel, and Strategic Planning Committee voted to defer NBI 25-42, as written, to the Board.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Committee Chair Mew adjourned the Budget, Personnel, and Strategic Planning Committee Meeting at 10:05 a.m.

UNAPPROVED

List of people who submitted written testimony before the meeting

ON-TIME WRITTEN TESTIMONY for Budget, Personnel, and Strategic Planning Committee Meeting		
NAME	ORGANIZATION	AGENDA ITEM
Hope Pualani McKeen		III.F. NBI 25-41: The Hawaiʻi Teacher Standards Board Executive Director's Evaluation Recommendation for 2025-2026

LATE WRITTEN TESTIMONY for Budget, Personnel, and Strategic Planning Committee Meeting		
NAME	ORGANIZATION	AGENDA ITEM
Christina Keaulana, PhD	Leeward Community College	III.F. NBI 25-41: The Hawaiʻi Teacher Standards Board Executive Director's Evaluation Recommendation for 2025-2026
Christina Keaulana, PhD	Leeward Community College	III.G. NBI 25-42: The Hawaiʻi Teacher Standards Board Executive Director Recommendation to the Board of Education
Senator Lynn DeCoite	Hawaiʻi State Senate, District 7	III.G. NBI 25-42: The Hawaiʻi Teacher Standards Board Executive Director Recommendation to the Board of Education
Rhonda S. Black	University of Hawaiʻi at Mānoa, Department of Special Education	III.F. NBI 25-41: The Hawaiʻi Teacher Standards Board Executive Director's Evaluation Recommendation for 2025-2026
Shawna Nishimoto	ʻIlima Intermediate School	III.G. NBI 25-42: The Hawaiʻi Teacher Standards Board Executive Director Recommendation to the Board of Education