



**Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board
General Business Meeting
April 24, 2026
2:45 PM
Agenda**

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Public Meeting Location: 650 Iwilei Road, Suite 158, Honolulu, HI 96817

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HTSB's Mission and Vision:

The HTSB envisions a highly esteemed Hawai'i public education system with rigorous professional teacher standards that foster student success. Our mission is to collaboratively set high teacher licensing and credentialing standards to:

- Provide every child in Hawai'i with qualified teachers.
- Promote professionalism and teaching excellence.
- Build public confidence in the teaching profession.
- Provide more accountability to the public.

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I. Call to Order of General Business Meeting

- A. Roll Call to Establish Quorum
- B. Public Testimony*
- C. Announcements

II. Executive Session

This portion of the meeting is a closed meeting under Section 92-4 and Section 92-5 (a)(1)(2) and (4), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

- A. Approval of Executive Session Meeting Minutes from January 16, 2026
- B. Personnel Update: Executive Director Villalobos
- C. Consultation with Deputy Attorney General on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.
 - The purpose of this portion of the executive meeting is to consult with the Board's attorney on questions or issues regarding the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") §92-5(a)(4).
- D. The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss the appropriate disciplinary action to take on NBI 25-33; Case No. 25-03 pursuant to [HRS](#) §92-5(a)(1). The educator falsified a document required for licensure.
- E. The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss the appropriate action to be taken on NBI 25-34; Case No. 24-05 pursuant to [HRS](#) §92-5(a)(1). This is a status update to determine whether this educator should receive an extension of the CTE permit for another year.
- F. The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss the appropriate action to take on NBI 25-35; Case No. 25-07 pursuant to [Hawaii Administrative Rules](#) §8-54-16 Suspension of the rules. The educator is seeking to have the Board suspend the rules pertaining to the criteria needed to be

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issued a Fourth Emergency Hire Permit due to extenuating circumstances caused by the educator preparation program.

- G. The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss the appropriate action to take on NBI 25-50; Case No. 25-08, pursuant to [Hawaii Revised Statutes](#) §92-5(a)(1), regarding the request by the educator to be issued a fourth Emergency Hire Permit and to suspend the Board's administrative rules based on extenuating circumstances caused by family tragedy, a tragedy at educator's school, and constraints in course scheduling.
- H. The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss the appropriate action to take on NBI 25-51; Case No. 25-09, pursuant to [Hawaii Revised Statutes](#) §92-5(a)(1), regarding this educator's application for renewal of the educator's Standard License. In this case, the educator was terminated for noncompliance of the Hawai'i Department of Education's COVID-19 Testing Attestation Mandate and did not file a grievance with the educator's union regarding the termination.

III. Public Testimony on General Business Meeting Agenda Items

- A. Announcements
- B. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - [January 16, 2026](#)
- C. Educational Testing Services-[Praxis Presentation](#)
 - ETS Client Relations Director-Jason Dietrich
- D. [Executive Director's March Report](#)
- E. [Executive Director's April Report](#)
 - Update HIDEOE/HTSB Data Sharing Agreement
- F. HTSB Board Members and Staff Report Out
 - Attended Events:
 - i. 3rd Annual Convening on Registered Apprenticeships in Teaching
 - ii. 2026 Hawai'i Educators Rising Conference and Competition
 - iii. 2026 Quality Assurance Symposium: Association for Advancing Quality in Educator Preparation (AAQEP)
 - iv. 2026 American Association of School Personnel Administrators (AASPA) National Educator Shortage Summit
 - v. 2026 National Board Celebration
- G. Upcoming Events/Conferences:
 - HTSB Summer Summit
 - Dates: June 3-4, 2026
 - [NASDTEC 97th Annual Conference](#)
 - Dates: June 13-16, 2026
 - Location: Indianapolis, IN
 - Agenda: [Conference Agenda](#)
 - [2026 Educators Rising National Conference](#)
 - Dates: June 20-23, 2026
 - Location: Portland, Oregon
 - Theme: Teach with Purpose, Lead with Passion

IV. Public Testimony on General Business Meeting Agenda Items

- A. **Licensing Update:**
 - Licensing Specialist Kaulana Molina, NBCT
- B. **Registered Teacher Apprenticeship Update:**
 - Licensing Specialist Mitzie Higa, Ed.D.

V. Public Testimony on General Business Meeting Agenda Items

VI. New Business, Committee Reports, and Pending Committee Action

Budget, Personnel, and Strategic Planning Committee: Mew

- A. **Update:** [2025-2026 Budget Update](#)
- B. [NBI 25-37](#) The Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board Budget for 2026-2027
- C. [NBI 25-38](#) The Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board Election of Board Officers and Committee Assignments for 2026-2027
- D. [NBI 25-39](#) The Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board Meeting Schedule for 2026-2027
- E. [NBI 25-40](#) Approval of the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board 2026-2031 Strategic Plan
- F. [NBI 25-41](#) The Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board Executive Director's Evaluation Recommendation for 2025-2026

- [HTSB's Executive Director Evaluation Standards](#)

G. [NBI 25-42](#) The Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board Executive Director Recommendation to the Board of Education

Legislative Committee: Raymond

H. **Update:** Board Members Appointments and Reappointments to the Board

I. **Discussion:** Legislative Permitted Interaction Group Update

- [HTSB Legislative Bill Tracker 2026](#)
- HTSB Legislative Priorities ([NBI 25-02](#))

J. [NBI 25-45](#) Completion of the 2026 Legislative Permitted Interaction Group's Work

Teacher Standards Committee: Dr. Soares

K. [NBI 25-26](#) License Affirmation (December 2025 and January 2026)

L. [NBI 25-36](#) License Affirmation (February 2026 and March 2026)

M. [NBI 25-27](#) Standard Limited CTE Licensure Criteria to Meet Act 151

N. [NBI 25-22 Revised](#) Policy on Hawaiian Permit Requirements, Program Responsibilities, and Review

O. [NBI 25-43](#) Adoption of Elementary Education: Math Specialist K-6 Licensure Field

P. [NBI 25-44](#) Adoption of Praxis Licensure Exam for Elementary Education: Math Specialist (5037)

Teacher Education Committee: Dr. Gillentine

Q. [NBI 25-28](#) The University of Hawai'i at West O'ahu's Early Childhood Education P-3 Add a Teaching Field Licensure Program Review Decision

R. [NBI 25-29](#) Leeward Community College's Special Education P-3 Initial Licensure Program Review Decision

S. [NBI 25-30](#) Approval of Leeward Community College's Special Education Praxis Exam Transition and Program Alignment Review

T. [NBI 25-31](#) Approval of the University of Hawai'i at West O'ahu's Special Education Praxis Exam Transition and Program Alignment Review

U. [NBI 25-32](#) Establish Committee to Strengthen Program Review Process

V. [NBI 25-46](#) Results and Recommendations from HTSB Annual Educator Preparation Program Completer Audit School Year 2024-2025

W. [NBI 25-47](#) Teach For America Audit Findings Year 2

X. [NBI 25-48](#) Consideration of iteach-Hawai'i Letter of Intent to Plan Initial License and Add a Teaching Field Programs in Early Childhood Education

Y. [NBI 25-49](#) Approval of Modifications to the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa's Literacy Specialist Add a Teaching Field Program

VII. Next HTSB Meeting: August 14, 2026

VIII. Adjournment

***WRITTEN TESTIMONY:**

The Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board (HTSB) welcomes public testimony on agenda items. Written testimony submitted and received at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will be posted on the Board's website. Testimony sent to any other email address or testimony submitted after the meeting start time, up to 24 hours after the meeting, will be processed as late testimony and will be posted after the meeting.

Persons interested in submitting written public testimony shall submit testimony by one of the following methods:

- Email to htsb@hawaii.gov as an attachment or written directly in your email message (please do not provide links to testimony)
- FAX to 808-586-2606
- Mail to HTSB, 650 Iwilei Road, Suite 268, Honolulu, HI 96817

All testimony is permanently posted publicly on the HTSB's website and referenced in the Board meeting minutes. Consider this when including personal information (including email addresses, phone numbers, names, and pictures) in your testimony. If you want your personal information redacted or omitted, submit your testimony as an attachment and include "NO PERSONAL INFORMATION" in the subject line.

Indicate the following information on written testimony:

- Include "Testimony" in the subject line;
- Name (or unique identifier) with position/title and organization, if applicable;
- Meeting (name of committee or General Business meeting);

- Agenda item; and
- Position (support, oppose, or comment).

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You may use a unique identifier (i.e., an alias) instead of your real name to maintain anonymity, but on the day of the meeting you must log into Zoom with the same identifier you used to sign up for testimony or you will not be unmuted. If you are testifying in-person, you must answer when your unique identifier is called.

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PUBLIC MEETING LOCATION: 650 Iwilei Road, Suite 158, Honolulu, HI 96817 (Dole Cannery).

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PARKING:

- Free parking: Dole Cannery Open-Air Parking Lot – Free parking is available in the parking lot directly behind the Dole Cannery and adjacent to the Costco parking lot. The lot entry is from Alakawa Street. There is no charge for parking in this free lot (2-hour limit).
- Pay parking: Dole Cannery Parking Structure – Pay parking is available in the parking structure across Iwilei Road above the Regal Cinema theaters. The entrance is on Pacific Street. You will pay for your parking when you exit the garage.

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