

New Business Item 25-38 Revised

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TITLE: The Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board Election of Board Officers and Committee Assignments for 2026-2027

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HTSB Vice Chairperson: Dale Matsuura

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- Monitor amendments to bills and recommend alternate language or action to the Board.
- Establish a Legislative Permitted Interaction Group in accordance with Hawaii Revised Statutes Section §92-2.5(b)(1). The purpose of this group is to support the Board's legislative priorities.

Chairperson: Dr. Jonathan Gillentine

Vice-Chairperson: Gary Kanamori

Committee Members: Daphne Okunaga, Dr. Tammi Oyadomari-Chun,
Komarey Moss, **John Thatcher**

Ex-officio: Dale Matsuura

Budget, Personnel, and Strategic Planning Committee:

- Develop and recommend an annual Board budget.
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- Provide research pertinent to the Board's duties.
- Recommend organizational direction.
- Provide for the collection of data to ensure progress toward goals and priorities set by the Board.
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- Recommend and maintain teacher, school counselor, and school librarian standards.
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Rationale/Background:

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Referred to: Committee of the Whole

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