

**To: Members of the State Board of  
Education & Early Development**

**June 4, 2025**

**From: Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner**

**Agenda Item: 18**

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◆ **ISSUE**

The board is scheduled to elect its officers for school year 2025–2026.

◆ **BACKGROUND**

- According to the board’s bylaws, the board will select its officers at the last regular meeting of the board each school year. The June meeting is the final regular meeting of the school year.
- The officers are: Chair, First Vice-Chair, and Second Vice-Chair.
- The current officers were appointed in June 2025 are:
  - Chair – James Fields
  - First Vice-Chair – Sally Stockhausen
  - Second Vice-Chair – Lorri Van Diest – term ended
- Nominations will be taken, and votes may be cast either by secret or open ballot.
- The term of each new office is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, or, if necessary, until the election of its successor.
- According to board bylaws, a board member may serve successive terms as an officer without limit.
- A copy of the appropriate section of the bylaws follows this cover memorandum.

◆ **OPTIONS**

Elect officers for the 2025-2026 school year.

Take no action.

◆ **ADMINISTRATION’S RECOMMENDATION**

Elect officers for the 2025-2026 school year.

◆ **SUGGESTED MOTIONS**

I move the State Board of Education & Early Development elect \_\_\_\_\_ as Chair to serve from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026.

I move the State Board of Education & Early Development elect \_\_\_\_\_ as First Vice-Chair to serve from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026.

I move the State Board of Education & Early Development elect \_\_\_\_\_ as Second Vice-Chair to serve from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026.