



TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

FROM: John L. D'Agati *John L. D'Agati*

SUBJECT: Appointment to the State Professional Standards and Practices Board

DATE: December 1, 2016

AUTHORIZATION(S): *Margellen Eis*

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)

Should the Board of Regents approve the proposed appointments to 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 for consideration at its December 2016 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.

There currently are one administrator, one student and five teacher vacancies on the Standards Board. The individuals below are recommended for appointment to fill these vacancies.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Regents approve the following appointments to the State Professional Standards and Practices Board for Teaching: Theresa Reynolds (administrator member), Amanda Zullo (teacher member), each for a four-year term beginning January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2020. Additionally, Riley Arnold (student member), for a two-year term beginning January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018.

A brief biographical sketch of these recommended members seeking appointment is included as Attachment A, and a list of the current membership is included at Attachment B.

Timetable for Implementation

Members' terms will begin immediately upon appointment.

Related Regents Items

N/A

Attachments

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

State Professional Standards and Practices Board for Teaching

Theresa Reynolds

Membership Category: Administrator

Assistant Superintendent for Instruction at Orange-Ulster BOCES

Goshen, NY

Theresa Reynolds (Terry) is the Assistant Superintendent for Instruction at Orange-Ulster BOCES. She is responsible for the Special Education, Career and Technical Education, Adult Education and Instructional Support Service Divisions. Within Human Resources, Terry supervises all personnel needs and requirements for certified staff and is the Title IX Officer. In addition to the role she plays in the BOCES, Terry also provides support to 17 component school districts. Prior to joining the BOCES team, she was the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction in the Marlboro Central School District for four years and a Principal in the Monroe-Woodbury Central School District for fifteen years.

Terry possesses a clear understanding of K-12 curriculum, new State initiatives including Annual Professional Performance Review (APPR,) New York State Learning Standards, Data Driven Instruction, and Dignity for All Act, as well as, state and federal regulations and grants. In her work with Human Resources, she has experience in K-12 certification requirements, labor management relations, and state and federal labor laws. She was a member of the design team that created one of the NYS approved Teacher Rubrics and is a trainer for the APPR process.

Terry is on the Executive Board for Staff/Curriculum Development Network (SCDN) and a member of Orange County's Interagency Collaborative Team, Traffic Safety Board, Suicide Prevention Committee, and Youth Bureau Board. She is also on Sexually Aggressive Youth Assessment and Review Team (SAYART), the Education Committee for Dutchess-Orange United Way, and is certified by the New York State Education Department as a State trainer for the Dignity for All Act. Terry has presented at numerous state and national conferences focused on helping schools develop effective teacher evaluations and practices.

Terry has a Certificate of Advanced Study in Educational Administration from the State University College at New Paltz, an M.S. in Secondary School Administration from the University of Scranton, and a B.S. in Art Education from the State University College at New Paltz. She is certified as a Grade 1-6 Elementary Education Teacher, K-12 Art Teacher, and School District Administrator

Amanda Zullo
Membership Category: Teacher
Regents Level Chemistry Teacher
Saranac Lake High School
Saranac Lake, NY

Amanda Zullo has taught Chemistry to 10th–12th grade students at Saranac Lake High School since 2005 where she was the first National Board Certified Teacher in the district. Amanda is an advocate for inquiry-based instruction that facilitates student discourse serving as associate editor for the high school's process oriented guided inquiry (POGIL) books and a presenter at local, regional, and national conferences on the pedagogy.

Through Amanda's work as a New York State Master Teacher, a National Board Candidate Support Provider, and on the Professional Development Committee at Saranac Lake she focuses on making sure every teacher is provided with meaningful opportunity to learn, and support to execute exceptional instruction for students in their classrooms. Amanda is the grant coordinator for the Adirondack Farm to School Initiative which has grown to include several area schools focused on integrating the origin of food with curriculum, onsite gardens, and lunches containing local food for students in all grade levels.

Additionally, Amanda is involved as an America Achieves New York Policy fellow, ASCD 2016 Emerging Leader, on the National Council for Teaching Quality, and the 100Kin10 Teacher Advisory Group along with the Provost Advisory Board for TeachNY. Amanda has received numerous grants from the American Chemical Society and National Education Association for her classroom Amanda has been awarded the Empire State Award for Teaching Excellence in 2016 and the 2015 Presidential Award of Excellence in Math and Science Teaching for New York in Science.

Amanda earned a B.S. in organizational communication and pre-medical studies from the State University of New York (SUNY) at Geneseo, a Master's in science education, and an Advanced Certificate in National Board Certification/Teacher Leadership from Clarkson University.

Riley Arnold
Membership Category: Student
The College of Saint Rose
Albany, New York

Riley Arnold was born on October 3rd 1995 to a small family from Long Island, New York. She later moved to a small town outside of Poughkeepsie called Poughquag, where she attended public school in the Arlington School District. Throughout her academic career Riley was always a dedicated and hardworking student. She enjoyed music, reading and language. After graduating in 2013, Riley went on to study at The College of Saint Rose. A few years into her upper education, Riley realized that her true passion in life was teaching and working with children. Therefore, she decided to change her educational path in hopes of becoming a teacher. In her off time, Riley has worked at a summer camp in Lagrangeville, New York. During her time spent in Albany she works with children who are on the Autism spectrum. She is grateful for all of the opportunities that have come from moving to Albany and attending The College of Saint Rose.

**State Professional Standards and Practices Board for
Teaching**
As of November 2016

Dr. Julius Gregg Adams University at Buffalo, SUNY 465 Washington Street, Room 426 Buffalo, New York 14203-1707 Term Expires: June 30, 2017	Dr. Jane Ashdown Adelphi University 1 South Avenue Garden City, New York 11530 Term Expires: June 30, 2018
Mr. David Babikian North Syracuse Central School District 5355 W. Taft Road North Syracuse, New York 13212 Term Expires: June 30, 2020	Ms. Grace Barrett Commack Central School District 480 Clay Pitts Road Commack, New York 11725 Term Expires: June 30, 2018
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<p>Dr. Dwight Manning Teachers College, Columbia University 525 W. 120th St. Box 97 New York, NY 10027 Term Expires: June 30, 2020</p>	<p>Ms. Colleen McDonald Cambridge Central School 24 S. Park Street. Cambridge, New York 12816 Term Expires: June 30, 2017</p>
<p>Ms. Annette Romano Niskayuna Central Schools 1239 Van Antwerp Boulevard Niskayuna, New York 12309 Term Expires: June 30, 2018</p>	<p>Dr. Michael Rosenberg SUNY New Paltz Old Main 114 800 Hawk Drive New Paltz, New York 12561 Term Expires: June 30, 2017</p>
<p>Ms. Pilar Sokol, Esq. New York State School Boards Association 24 Century Hill Drive Suite 200 Latham, New York 12110 Term Expires: June 30, 2020</p>	<p>Ms. Ellen Sullivan Greater Capital Region Teacher Center 120 Clermont Street Albany, New York 12203 Term Expires: June 30, 2019</p>
<p>Ms. Therese Torchon Westbury Middle School 455 Rockland Street Westbury, New York 11590 Term Expires: June 30, 2019</p>	<p>Mr. James Vasquez Newcomers High School New York City Department of Education 2801 41st Avenue Long Island City, New York 11101 Term Expires: June 30, 2019</p>
<p>Ms. Elizabeth Waite Union –Endicott Central Schools 1200 East Main Street Endicott, NY 13760 Term Expires: June 30, 2020</p>	