



Portland Association of Teachers
NOMINATION FORM – 2020-2021

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Name: <i>(legal name and nickname, if applicable)</i>	Work Location:
Non-work Email:	Non-work Phone Number:

***By submitting this form, I authorize my name to be placed in nomination for the position of:**

 (A separate nomination form must be submitted for each position for which the candidate wishes to run).

_____ ****I have read the Nominations and Elections Handbook, including all sections related to running for elected office for PAT.** (Handbook can be viewed on the PAT website at www.pdxteachers.org/pat_elections)

_____ ****I understand the timeline and process of this election, as described in the Nominations and Elections Letter to Members, dated 11/18/2020.** (N&E Letter can be viewed at www.pdxteachers.org/pat_elections)

_____ ****I have read the duties and responsibilities of the position I listed above, and I am willing to perform those duties and responsibilities (which are listed on pages 3 & 4 of this form).**

****Place an “X” before each of the three statements above, to indicate that you have read, and agree to, the statement.**

PLEASE ATTACH:

(1) A position statement supporting your candidacy
 - 100-word limit (see word count guidelines on page 2 of this form)

(2) A statement of qualifications
 - (e.g., offices held, committees, task forces, building rep, bargaining organizer)
 (Local (PAT), state (OEA), national (NEA) and/or personal qualifications – not to exceed 5 in total)

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Word count guidelines are on page two. Statement and qualifications will be reproduced exactly as written; any portion exceeding the count limit **will be deleted.**

NOMINATIONS CLOSE AT 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 8, 2021 for Executive Board candidates.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE AT 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 for OEA RA and NEA RA candidates.

(Email to Jennifer.Dixon@oregoned.org)

See the **PAT Nominations & Elections Handbook** for guidelines on campaign activities. The handbook can be viewed on the PAT website at www.pdxteachers.org/pat_elections

WORD COUNT GUIDELINES FOR CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

RA = 1 word Representative Assembly = 2 words

PAT = 1 word Portland Association of Teachers = 4 words

OEA = 1 word Oregon Education Association = 3 words

NEA = 1 word National Education Association = 3 words

OEA/RA = 2 words Oregon Education Association/Representative Assembly = 5 words

OEA/NEA/RA = 3 words

Oregon Education Association/National Education Association/Representative Assembly = 8 words

NEA/RA = 2 words

National Education Association/Representative Assembly = 5 words

OEA/PAT/RA = 3 words

Oregon Education Association/Portland Association of Teachers/Representative Assembly = 9 words

PAT/RA = 2 words

Portland Association of Teachers/Representative Assembly = 6 words

VP = 1 word Vice-President = 2 words Vice President = 2 words

PAC = 1 word Political Action Contribution = 3 words

PPS = 1 word Portland Public Schools = 3 words

K-12= 2 words Kindergarten through twelfth grade = 4 words

CSC = 1 word Child Services Center = 3 words

HYPHENATED WORDS: Each word in the hyphenation is counted as one (1) word. Examples:

can-do = 2 words OEA-RA = 2 words

long-time = 2 words NEA-OEA-RA = 3 words

CONTRACTIONS = 1 word Examples: can't = 1 word she's = 1 word

WEBSITE ADDRESSES: www. = 0 .com = 0 Each word in between is counted as one (1) word

Examples: www.samisthebest.com = 4 words www.ain'tshegreat.org = 3 words

www.SamJones4NEA/RA.org = 5 words

Responsibilities: PAT OEA Representative Assembly Delegate

- Three (3) year term: 2021, 2022, and 2023
- Attend pre-RA training, attend OEA RA, vote on OEA policies, budget, legislative program, and OEA officers.
- Under normal circumstances, OEA RA Delegates attend the annual state convention held each spring (to be held virtually in 2021). The OEA RA begins on a Friday evening and concludes late Saturday afternoon. A few weeks prior to the RA, delegates attend the Region 1 Mini RA (approximately 3 hours) to become prepared on the issues and procedures (date and location not yet determined). Due to COVID, the 2021 OEA RA will be held virtually, April 16-17, 2021.

Responsibilities: PAT NEA Representative Assembly Delegate

- One (1) year term: 2021
- Attend NEA RA, vote on NEA policies, budget, legislative program, and NEA officers.
- PAT delegates to the NEA RA join other delegates in representing Oregon at the National Education Association's Annual Meeting and Representative Assembly (RA). The NEA RA is the organization's highest decision-making body. With more than 8,000 delegates, it is also the world's largest democratic, deliberative body. Delegates debate issues impacting American public education, elect national officers, and set policy for the 3 million-member Association. The 2021 NEA RA will either be held in Denver, Colorado, or will be held virtually, on July 2 – July 6.
 - *Note: Election as a PAT NEA delegate does not guarantee a stipend from PAT to attend. As of this date, PAT will fund nine (9) of the delegates elected in this election. The elected delegates will be funded in order of number of votes received; the same process will apply if additional funded positions become available. Delegates who are funded will receive a stipend that covers flight, hotel, and some meals. Any elected delegate may choose to attend the NEA RA at his/her/their own expense.*

Responsibilities: PAT Executive Board, Directors-at-Large

- Two (2) year term: July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2023
- Attend Summer retreat and training, monthly PAT Executive Board Meetings, monthly committee meetings, and the monthly PAT RA.
- Serve as a liaison to an assigned PAT committee (attend all committee meetings and report back to the Executive Board).
- Serve as a liaison to the reps to all the schools in an assigned Zone.
- Fulfill all obligations of the PAT Executive Board, as outlined in the PAT Bylaws (below):

ARTICLE 7- DIRECTORS-AT-LARGE

Section 1

Portland Association of Teachers Executive Board directors shall be elected for two-year terms and may be reelected.

Section 2

In addition to those responsibilities of members of the Executive Board listed in Article 8, Section 4 of these Bylaws, the specific responsibilities of Portland Association of Teachers directors shall be to:

- a. Establish contact with Association representatives as designated and assigned by the president;
- b. Develop and utilize a system for regular communication with their assigned Association representatives;
- c. Assist Association representatives upon request;
- d. Contact Association representatives absent from meetings of the Representative Assembly;
- e. Serve as a liaison to committees and task forces as assigned by the president;
- f. Hold meetings with members in conformity with action by the Executive Board and/or Representative Assembly;

- g. Hold building meetings with members as needed; and
- h. Regularly attend meetings of the Executive Board, Representative Assembly and other Association sponsored meetings.

ARTICLE 8- EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1

The Executive Board shall consist of the officers, the OEA directors, and nine directors elected at-large. In addition, the Portland Metro Area Educators - Retired president, or their designee, shall serve as a non-voting member of the Executive Board; such representative must be a former Portland Association of Teachers member. In the event that no member of the Executive Board is a person of color, an additional director who is a person of color shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Executive Board.

Section 2

- a) The Executive Board shall be the executive authority of the Association. Between regular meetings of the Representative Assembly, the Executive Board may act on behalf of the Representative Assembly.
- b) The Executive Board shall be responsible for the achievement of the general purpose and specific objectives of the Association. The Board shall implement plans to achieve this purpose and these objectives, and it shall evaluate the success of the Association in this effort.

Section 4 Responsibilities of the Executive Board

- a) The Executive Board shall meet regularly, on a schedule approved annually. The Executive Board shall also approve an annual schedule of meetings of the Representative Assembly.
- b) The Executive Board shall advise the president on the management of the Association; participate in the selection of professional staff in accordance with OEA policies; recommend to the Representative Assembly a balanced budget for each new fiscal year; approve all major expenditures not in the adopted budget; establish policies governing the assets of the Association; require an annual audit; and carry out policies established by the Association.
- c) Meetings of the PAT Executive Board may be held at the call of the President. Upon receiving a written request from at least three members of the Board stating the purpose of the meeting, the president shall call a special meeting of the Executive Board.
- d) The Executive Board shall oversee workshops and trainings offered by the Association.
- e) The Executive Board shall assist the president in identifying members for committees and task forces. It shall define the committees' immediate and long-range objectives. It shall review committee plans, receive committee reports and act on recommendations, and decide any jurisdictional disputes between committees.
- f) The Executive Board shall report its transactions to the Representative Assembly, and recommend policies for approval by the Representative Assembly.
- g) The Executive board shall approve the membership of the collective bargaining teams as recommended by the president. The Board shall direct and support the collective bargaining teams in preparation for and negotiations with School District No. 1.
- h) The Executive Board shall approve the membership of the Advocacy Committee as recommended by the president. The Executive Board shall hear and shall decide all appeals of the Committee's decisions by members of the Association.
- i) The Executive Board shall also operate as the Portland UniServ Council, under guidelines established by OEA-NEA.
- j) The Executive Board shall enforce provisions in the OEA and NEA Constitutions, Bylaws, and Standing Rules that require representation of people of color in appointments to offices, committees, and representative bodies.
- k) All actions of the Board shall be reported to the members of the Representative Assembly by the Secretary. Such actions may be reviewed by the next Representative Assembly upon request of fifteen (15) representatives. The decision of the Representative Assembly shall be final and binding, subject to Article 9.