

**HAWAI‘I TEACHER STANDARDS BOARD  
TEACHER STANDARDS COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Friday, April 26, 2024**

**Meeting Conducted by Remote Technology via Zoom  
and  
Physical Location at 650 Iwilei Road, Suite 158, Honolulu, HI 96817**

**MINUTES**

**PRESENT:**

Kim Sanders, *Committee Chairperson*  
Justin Mew  
Dondra Ozaki  
Dawn Raymond  
Dr. Katina Soares  
Branden Kawazoe, *Ex-officio*  
Lokelani Han, *Ex-officio*

**EXCUSED:**

Dale Matsuura

**NOT PRESENT:**

Elena Farden for Keahi Makaimoku, *Committee Vice-Chairperson*

**STAFF:**

Felicia Villalobos, Executive Director  
Steven Harada, Licensing Specialist  
Dr. Mitzie Higa, Licensing Specialist  
Tracey Ilica, NBCT, Licensing Specialist  
Kris Murakami, Esq., Licensing Specialist  
Dr. Jennifer Padua, Licensing Specialist

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**A. ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM**

Committee Chairperson Kim Sanders called the Teacher Standards Committee Meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Committee Chairperson Sanders shared information regarding procedures for virtual committee meetings, then called roll call and established quorum. Committee

Chairperson Sanders and *Ex-officio* Committee Member Branden Kawazoe were present. Committee Members Dondra Ozaki, Dawn Raymond, and Dr. Katina Soares; and *Ex-officio* Committee Member Lokelani Han participated remotely. Committee Member Dale Matsuura was excused. Committee Member Justin Mew was not present at roll call. Committee Vice-Chairperson Elena Farden was not present.

Committee Chairperson Sanders shared information regarding non-public site disclosure. None of the committee members participating remotely had anyone present with them. Committee Chairperson Sanders then shared additional information regarding meeting protocols and procedures.

**B. PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

*Committee Member Mew entered remotely.*

**C. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**D. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES**

The minutes of the February 9, 2024, meeting was approved as written.

**II. PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**III. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**E. NBI 23-41: License Affirmation (February and March 2024)**

Committee Chairperson Sanders reviewed NBI 23-41, affirming the licenses and permits for the respective months.

Committee Chairperson Sanders asked committee members if they had any questions or discussion. There were no questions or discussion from committee members.

Committee Chairperson Sanders called for a roll call vote on whether or not to recommend NBI 23-41, as written, to the full board (“Board”) at the General Business Meeting scheduled later at 12:30 p.m. Committee Chairperson Sanders did not vote. All other committee members present voted to recommend.

**ACTION: The Teacher Standards Committee voted to recommend NBI 23-41, as written, to the Board, with six of seven members present voting aye.**

**F. NBI 22-78 Revised: Formation of the Early Childhood Education Teacher Licensing Workgroup**

Committee Chairperson Sanders reviewed NBI 22-78 Revised, which includes the Rationale/Background. She highlighted the addition of the 2024-2025 school year so that the workgroup could finalize its work, as well as the possibility of having in-person meetings.

Committee Chairperson Sanders asked committee members if they had any questions or discussion. There were no questions or discussion from committee members.

Committee Chairperson Sanders called for a roll call vote on whether or not to recommend NBI 22-78 Revised, as written, to the Board at the General Business Meeting scheduled later at 12:30 p.m. Committee Chairperson Sanders did not vote. All other committee members present voted to recommend.

**ACTION: The Teacher Standards Committee voted to recommend NBI 22-78 Revised, as written, to the Board, with six of seven members present voting aye.**

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

Committee Chairperson Sanders adjourned the Teacher Standards Committee Meeting at 11:08 a.m.