

# STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

**HEARING TYPE:**      X   INFORMATION / NO ACTION

**DATE:**               NOVEMBER 2, 2007

**SUBJECT:**           **SBE Community Outreach Fall 2007 and  
Board Liaisons to Organizations**

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## **BACKGROUND:**

This fall, as part of its efforts to improve requirements for high school graduation to better prepare students for life after high school, the Washington State Board of Education will hold community meetings across the state to hear the public's opinion on the topic.

In the near-term, input from the meetings will help the Board to define the purpose of the high school diploma and identify the content for a required third year of math. This work will be presented to the State Legislature in December 2007. The feedback from the public will be used by the Board to draft recommendations for new high school graduation requirements, as well as system performance accountability, which it will discuss with the public during its spring 2008 outreach.

We have included the schedule and Board participation for each meeting as well as the format. We will share the framing issues that APCO and SBE staff are working on at the November Board meeting.

## **Board Liaisons to Organizations**

It has been over a year since Board members selected their liaison assignments to groups such as the WSSDA regions and the Work Force Education and Training Board. We have enclosed the list from last year with updated meetings. We would like to know how those liaison assignments are working for you and if there are ways you want to share key information from those meetings with your fellow Board members and discuss any other issues you may have.



Washington State  
Board of Education



*Working to Raise Student Achievement Dramatically*

## **Washington State Board of Education to Hold Community Meetings on Improving Graduation Requirements to Better Prepare Students for Life after High School**

October 2007--This fall, as part of its efforts to improve requirements for high school graduation to better prepare students for life after high school, the Washington State Board of Education will hold community meetings across the state to hear the public's opinion on the topic.

During the meetings the Board will discuss how the economy of our state and prospects for high school graduates have changed since the state last reviewed high school graduation credit requirements 22 years ago; offer a conceptual framework for improving state graduation requirements; and listen to public input.

**Community meetings will be held in the evening in the following locations:**

- **Bremerton, October 30**
- **Bethel/Tacoma, November 5**
- **Everett, November 14**
- **Yakima, November 27**
- **Vancouver, November 29**
- **Spokane, December 3**
- **Seattle, December 4**

The Board wants to hear from citizens on questions such as:

- What academic skills should students have when they graduate from high school?
- What life skills should students possess when they graduate?
- What kinds of post-high school opportunities should a K-12 education prepare students for?
- Should there be one type of diploma for all students, or multiple diploma options?
- Should high school graduation requirements necessarily align with vocational/technical, 2-year community colleges or 4-year college entry requirements?
- What should the content be for a required third credit of math?

In the near-term, input from the meetings will help the Board to define the purpose of the high school diploma and identify the content for a required third credit of math. This work will be presented to the State Legislature in December 2007.

The feedback also will be used by the Board to draft recommendations for new high school graduation requirements, which it will release to the public in spring 2008. During a second round of community meetings in spring 2008, members of the public will have the opportunity to provide feedback on the draft recommendations before they are finalized.

For more information, please visit [www.sbe.wa.gov](http://www.sbe.wa.gov) or call 360-725-6025.

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## Washington State Board of Education

### Outreach Meetings Fall 2007

#### AGENDA

**6:00 p.m. Welcome**

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Welcome to Dignitaries
- Introductions of Board Members and Staff

**6:05 p.m. Overview of Meeting**

- Agenda Overview by SBE Staff

**6:10 p.m. Meaningful High School Diploma Framework Presentation**

- SBE staff will present on the Board's efforts to improve high school graduation requirements and thinking behind the need to change the requirements
- Clarifying questions about presentation from audience

**6:30 p.m. Break-out Groups for Audience Discussion**

- Break-out group suggested questions (these are still in the process of revision at time we are going to press)
  - What changes would you recommend to the current high school graduation requirements? (We would have a handout listing them)
  - What are the strengths and weaknesses of requiring all high school students to meet the same standards (with consideration to special education students)?
  - What are the benefits to making high school graduation requirements match what students need for entering and taking non-remedial classes at vocational/technical, two-year and four-year colleges?
  - What academic and life skills are essential for high school graduates?

**7:30 p.m. Report Backs from Break-out Groups and Individuals**

- Each group will report back on the two key themes the group felt the Board should know, about better preparing students for life after high school
- SBE staff will note main points on flip charts
- APCO will create large sheets for each skill plus a blank sheet for people to put dots on. SBE staff will provide list of skills. Each individual will put five dots down on large sheets around the room that list academic and life skills that are essential
- Each individual will have the opportunity to provide the SBE well written comments plus ability to provide in-depth feedback on math

**7:50 p.m. Questions from the Audience**

- Questions from the audience

**8:00 p.m. Thank You and Final Remarks**

- Member of the State Board would thank the group and once again remind them how the information will be used to inform the Board's decision
- SBE will remain for a brief time to take more questions but excuse those who will want to leave on-time

# State Board of Education Outreach Meeting Locations

## Bremerton

Event Date	Room number	Event building	Event organization	Event Address 1	Event Address 2
10/30/2007	Library	Bremerton High School	Bremerton School District	1500 13th Street	Bremerton, WA 98337

## Bethel/Tacoma

Event Date	Room number	Event building	Event organization	Event Address 1	Event Address 2
11/5/2007	Commons Area	Spanaway Junior High	Bethel School District	15701 B Street East	Tacoma, WA 98445

## Yakima

Event Date	Room number	Event building	Event organization	Event Address 1	Event Address 2
11/27/2007	Parker room C1	Deccio Building	Yakima Valley Community College	South 16th & Nob Hill Blvd.	Yakima, WA. 98902

## Vancouver

Event Date	Room number	Event building	Event organization	Event Address 1	Event Address 2
11/29/2007	Room- 100	Center for Educational Leaders	Roosevelt Elementary School, Van	2921 Falk Road	Vancouver, WA

## Spokane

Event Date	Room number	Event building	Event organization	Event Address 1	Event Address 2
12/3/2007		Regal Center	Educational Service District 101	4202 S. Regal Street	Spokane, WA 99223-7738

## Seattle

Event Date	Room number	Event building	Event organization	Event Address 1	Event Address 2
12/4/2007			North Seattle Community College	9600 College Way North	Seattle, WA 98103

## Everett

Event Date	Room number	Event building	Event organization	Event Address 1	Event Address 2
To Be Determined			Everett School District	3715 Oakes Avenue	Everett 98201

# State Board of Education Outreach Meeting Contacts

## Bremerton

Event Date	Start Time	Board 1	Board 2	Board 3	SBE staff
10/30/2007	6:00:00 PM	Kris	Bernal		Edie, Kathe, Brad

## Bethel/Tacoma

Event Date	Start Time	Board 1	Board 2	Board 3	SBE staff
11/5/2007	6:00:00 PM	Warren	Linda	Steve F	Edie, Kathe, Brad

## Yakima

Event Date	Start Time	Board 1	Board 2	Board 3	SBE staff
11/27/2007	6:00:00 PM	Bernal	Bunker	Steve DP	Edie, Brad

## Vancouver

Event Date	Start Time	Board 1	Board 2	Board 3	SBE staff
11/29/2007	6:00:00 PM	Warren	Steve F		Edie, Brad

## Spokane

Event Date	Start Time	Board 1	Board 2	Board 3	SBE staff
12/3/2007	6:00:00 PM	Mary Jean or Kris	Amy	Steve DP	Kathe, Brad

## Seattle

Event Date	Start Time	Board 1	Board 2	Board 3	SBE staff
12/4/2007	6:00:00 PM	Mary Jean	Jeff	Eric	Edie, Kathe

## Everett

Event Date	Start Time	Board 1	Board 2	Board 3	SBE staff
To Be Determined		Mary Jean	Sheila	Bernal	Edie, Brad



LIAISON GROUPS

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Primary</b>	<b>Meeting Dates</b>
<b>AWSP-Association of Washington School Principals</b>	<b>Amy Bragdon</b>	Annual Joint Meeting with WASA in June of Each Year (Spokane): 6/29-7/1/08 Annual Principals Conf (Spokane): 10/26-28/08 Meet 4 Times a Year (Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter) 1/26-27/08; 5/1-2/08; 6/28/08; 9/18-19/08
<b>AESD-Association Educational Service Districts</b>	<b>Steve Dal Porto</b>	11/15/07-WSSDA Conf Mayflower Hotel, Seattle 2/11/08-WSSDA Office (12-4 PM) 4/24/08-Everett (1-4 PM) 7/1/08-ESD 101 (1-4 PM)
<b>ESD 101 (Spokane)</b>	<b>Amy Bragdon</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the Month
<b>ESD 105 (Yakima)</b>	<b>Phyllis Frank</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the Month
<b>ESD 112 (Vancouver)</b>	<b>Linda Lamb</b>	11/20/07; 12/14/07; 1/29/08; 2/26/08; 3/25/08; 4/22/08; 5/27/08; 6/24/08
<b>ESD 113 (Olympia)</b>	<b>Linda Lamb</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each Month
<b>OESD 114 (Bremerton)</b>	<b>Kris Mayer</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each Month
<b>PSESD 121 (Renton)</b>	<b>Steve Floyd</b>	
<b>ESD 123 (Tri-Cities)</b>	<b>Steve Dal Porto</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month, except Nov/Dec: 11/13/07 and 12/13/07. No July Meeting
<b>NCESD 171 (Wenatchee)</b>	<b>Steve Dal Porto</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the Month, Except for Nov/Dec
<b>NWESD 189 (Anacortes)</b>	<b>Sheila Fox</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the Month, No July Meeting Oct, Nov, Dec will be 10/25/07; 11/19/07 and 12/17/07
<b>School Facilities Citizen Advisory Panel</b>	<b>Steve Floyd</b>	TBD
<b>DLC-Digital Learning Commons</b>	<b>Eric Liu</b>	2/13/08-Center for Urban Horticulture 6/5/08-K&L Gates
<b>Governor's Office</b>	<b>Mary Jean Ryan</b>	
<b>Learning First Alliance</b>	<b>Warren Smith</b>	
<b>Legislature/Education Committees</b>	<b>Mary Jean Ryan</b>	Ed Committees meet at scheduled intervals during the interim; two to four times a week during session
<b>HECB-Higher Education Coordinating Board/Advisory Council</b>		11/15/07-Highline Community College w/ Advisory Council 12/13/07-State Investment Board, Board Room
<b>PESB-Professional Educator Standards</b>	<b>Sheila Fox</b>	Meetings are held 6 times a year; approximately every other month. 11/7-8/07; 1/16-17/08; 3/19-20/08; 5/21-22/08; 7/16-17/08; 9/17-18/08; 11/19-20/08; 1/21-22/09; 5/20-21/09; 7/22-23/09; 9/23-24/09; 11/18-19/09
<b>PSE-Public School Employees of Washington</b>	<b>Warren Smith</b>	1/19/08-Olympia 3/8/08-The Inn at Gig Harbor 5/3/08-Auburn State Office 7/31/08-Spokane Annual Conference-8/1-3/08 (Spokane)



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<b>PTA-Washington State Parent-Teachers Association</b>	<b>Linda Lamb</b>	Annual Conference May 2-4, 2008
<b>SBCTC-State Board for Community and Technical Colleges</b>	<b>Bernal Baca</b>	12/4-5/07-Cascadia Community College 1/30-31/08-State Board Office 3/12-13/08-State Board Office 4/30-5/1/08-North Seattle Community College 6/11-12/08-Wenatchee Valley College
<b>WACTE-Washington Association of Colleges and Teacher Education</b>	<b>Sheila Fox</b>	All meetings are scheduled on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Meetings begin at 1:00 PM and end at 5:00 PM on Wednesday; and begin at 8:30 AM and end at 3:30 PM on Thursday.  Fall meetings are the last weekend in October  Winter meetings coincide with meetings of the Professional Educators Standards Board. A business meeting will be planned for Wednesday  Spring meetings are scheduled the last weekend of April
<b>WASA-Washington Association of School Administrators</b>	<b>Steve Dal Porto</b>	Annual Joint Meeting with AWSP in June of each year (Spokane) Annual Conference-TBD
<b>WASC-Washington Association of Student Councils</b>	<b>Lorilyn Roller and Zachary Kinman</b>	Feb and Apr
<b>WEA-Washington Education Association</b>	<b>Bernal Baca</b>	
<b>WFIS-Washington Federation of Independent Schools</b>	<b>Jack Schuster</b>	11/30/07 Board Meeting (Renton) 2/12/08 Winter Dinner (Museum of Flight, Seattle) 5/1-2/08 (Board Planning Retreat, TBD)
<b>Washington Business Roundtable/Association of Washington Business</b>	<b>Jeff Vincent</b>	
<b>WSSDA-Washington State School Directors' Association</b>	<b>Steve Floyd</b>	Annual Fall Conference, Nov 14-16,2007 (Seattle)
<b>WTECB-Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board</b>	<b>Phyllis Frank</b>	11/8/07