

## Memorandum

**Date:** July 18, 2025  
**To:** Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board  
**From:** Yelena Bailey, Executive Director  
**RE:** FY26 Board Retreat Dates - REPORT

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### Summary:

Each year, the Board hosts a retreat as a time for board members to bond, dig deeper into policy issues, engage in training, and meet with community partners. Traditionally, the retreat takes place over two and a half days. Days 1 & 2 include a series of trainings and public discussions on policy issues. In the evening, board members are encouraged to attend an optional dinner together. Day 3 begins with PELSB's annual community partner breakfast. This is a time to engage with members of the public, including state legislators. After the breakfast, the Board will conduct business at its regularly scheduled board meeting.

The Executive Committee would like the Board to set the dates for next year's retreat. Additionally, the committee would like board members to consider a new format for the retreat. In place of a two-and-a-half-day retreat in June. The Board would have a 1-day training retreat in January and a 1-day public engagement retreat in June or July. The training retreat would provide relevant professional development for board members. The public engagement retreat would start with the community partner breakfast and include a day of sessions open to the public related to board work.

### January Dates

- Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup>\* this conflicts with MSBA conference
- Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> and move the board meeting to Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>

### June Dates

- Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup> with the board meeting on Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup> and move the board meeting to Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>

### Options:

This is a report. No action is needed.