

PRESS RELEASE

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Subject: New WSAS Officers and Board Members Elected

The Washington State Academy of Sciences (WSAS) is pleased to announce two new Officers and five new Board Members who were elected by the WSAS Membership in June 2019. The management of all the affairs, property, and interests of the Academy is vested in the Board of Directors consisting of 12 elected members in addition to five elected officers: President, President Elect, Past President, Secretary, and Treasurer, with the Executive Director as an *Ex Officio* non-voting member.

The President serves a two-year term. A President Elect shall be elected every other year and progress automatically in years 2 and 3 to President and in year 4 to Past President. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected for two-year terms each but in alternating years. The Secretary and Treasurer may be elected for up to three successive, two-year terms. In cases where a member of the Board is elected to one of the four offices of the Academy, the President with Board concurrence shall appoint a member of the Academy to serve out the remaining term of that Board member. Board Members serve three-year terms and are eligible to serve on the Board for two consecutive terms.

The following Officers and Board Members will begin their terms at the conclusion of the Members' Meeting on September 12, 2019.

OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE WSAS MEMBERSHIP:

President Elect – Roger Myers, Executive Director (retired), Aerojet Rocketdyne

Dr. Myers was elected to serve as a member of the Board in 2017. Myers will serve as President Elect for one year before the position converts to President (and chair of the Board of Directors) in September 2020. He was elected to WSAS in 2012.

Secretary – Donald Baer, Laboratory Fellow Emeritus, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

Dr. Baer has been elected to a second term as Secretary after first being appointed to the position in 2016 and elected in 2017. The position of Secretary is a two-year term. He was elected to WSAS in 2014.

Board Member – Brian Atwater, Geologist, U.S. Geological Survey; Affiliate Professor, University of Washington

Dr. Atwater has been elected to his first term on the Board. He was elected to WSAS in 2008.

Board Member – Richard Catalano, Jr., Professor, School of Social Work and Co-founder, Social Development Research Group, University of Washington

Dr. Catalano has been elected to a second term on the Board. Catalano was first elected to the Board in 2016. He was elected to WSAS in 2013.

Board Member – Larry Dalton, B. Seymour Rabinovitch Chair in Chemistry, George Kauffman Professor of Electrical Engineering, University of Washington

Dr. Dalton has been elected to his first term on the Board. He was elected to WSAS in 2012.

Board Member – Ronald Mittelhammer, Regents Professor of Economic Sciences and Statistics, Washington State University

Dr. Mittelhammer has been elected to his first term on the Board. He was elected to WSAS in 2012.

Board Member – W. Sue Ritter, Regents Professor, Department of Integrative Physiology and Neuroscience, Washington State University

Dr. Ritter has been elected to her first term on the Board. She was elected to WSAS in 2015.

**WSAS OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS WHOSE TERMS WILL END ON
SEPTEMBER 12, 2019**

Anjan Bose, Past President

Regents Professor and the Distinguished Professor of Electric Power Engineering, School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Washington State University

Thomas Marsh, Board Member

Professor and IMPACT Director, School of Economic Sciences, Washington State University

George “Pinky” Nelson, Board Member

Director (retired), Science, Mathematics and Technology Education Program, Western Washington University

Usha Varanasi, Board Member

Distinguished Scholar in Residence, College of the Environment; Professor, Departments of Fisheries and Chemistry, University of Washington