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## **STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTS NEW OFFICERS**

(Boise). The Idaho State Board of Education elected new officers during its June 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> meeting in Coeur d’Alene. For the coming year, Dr. Linda Clark will serve as President, Debbie Critchfield as Vice President and Dr. David Hill as Secretary.

The President, Vice President and Secretary provide leadership to the State Board as it considers Idaho public education policies; sets tuition and fees for the state’s public colleges and universities; and provides overall governance of public elementary, secondary and higher education in Idaho. Officers are elected in June of each year, with the positions being effective immediately.

The State Board thanked Emma Atchley for her service as President. “Under Emma’s leadership, the State Board continued its commitment to implementing the recommendations of the Governor’s Task Force for Improving Education. She also led the State Board in its work to create a seamless high school-to-college transition with an enhanced college and career advising initiative, as well as the [NextSteps.Idaho.gov](http://NextSteps.Idaho.gov) one-stop resource for Idahoans navigating going-on to higher education,” said Dr. Linda Clark, new President of the Idaho State Board of Education.

The State Board of Education is charged with the general supervision and governance of the public educational institutions and the public school system of the State of Idaho. To learn more about the Idaho State Board of Education, please visit [www.boardofed.idaho.gov](http://www.boardofed.idaho.gov).

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