



# Board of Equalization

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<b>Chair:</b>	John Morrison
<b>Vice-Chair:</b>	Bob Hastings
<b>Terms of Office:</b>	3 years
<b>Term Limits:</b>	None
<b>Members:</b>	3 regular and 3 alternate
<b>Meetings:</b>	The BOE meets year-round on alternating Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays each month. The meeting schedule is dependent upon the petition caseload and meeting room availability. Hearings are usually held in Building 1, Room 152.
<b>Staff Contact:</b>	Ruth Elder, Human Resources, 360-786-5135 or <a href="mailto:ruth.elder@co.thurston.wa.us">ruth.elder@co.thurston.wa.us</a>

**Board Duties:** To hear appeals of property assessment valuations, property tax exemptions, current use programs, and other determinations of the Assessor.

**Qualifications of Board members:** Must be a resident of the County. BOE members must attend the Department of Revenue training (normally held in June) within one year of appointment. Shall not be a holder of any elective office nor be an employee of any elected official. Employees of the Assessor's Office may not serve on the Board for a period of two years after leaving their employment. A basic understanding of real estate trends is helpful for new members.

**Who Appoints:** Board of County Commissioners. Terms expire March 1, but members continue to serve until their successors are appointed.

**Vacancies are filled by:** Filled in the same manner as original appointments.

**Removal is by:** By a majority vote of the Board of County Commissioners. A member who does not attend the school required by RCW 85.48.042 within one year of the appointment or reappointment shall be barred from serving on the Board unless the requirement is waived by the Department of Revenue for just cause.

**Authority:** Chapter 84.48 RCW, Chapter 458-14 WAC; and Chapter 2.98 TCC

**Compensation:** \$150 per day per diem



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## *Current Members*

### **Regular Board Members**

**John Morrison**-term expires 03/01/19

**Bob Hastings**-term expires 03/01/20

**Diane Pust**-term expires 03/01/21

### **Alternate Board Members**

**John Graver**-term expired 03/01/18

**Thaddeus (Ted) May II**-term expires 03/01/19

Vacant Alternate Position-term expires 03/01/20