

Chairs and Vice Chairs
State Board of Equalization
 1870 – Present

| Year | Chairs (Equalization District) | Vice Chairs (Equalization District) |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| 7/11/1870 ^a – 12/11/1871 | Robert Watt – Controller (D) (Elected Chair 7/12/1870) | |
| 12/13/1871 – 2/28/1872 | Morris M. Estee, Governor Appointee | |
| 3/13/1872 – 3/14/1876 | J. J. Green – Controller (R) | |
| 5/15/1876 ^b – 10/1879 | William Irwin – Governor (D) | |
| 10/18/1879 – 3/1880 ^c | | |
| 4/8/1880 – 12/1882 | Warren Dutton (R) | |
| 1/8/1883 – 9/3/1890 | C. E. Wilcoxson (D) | |
| 9/9/1890 – 1/5/1891 | G. E. Sloss (D) | |
| 1/5/1891 – 1/2/1899 | L. C. Morehouse (R) | |
| 1/2/1899 – 1/2/1911 | Alex Brown (R) | |
| 1/12/1911 – 1/13/1913 | A. B. Nye – Controller (R) | |
| 1/13/1913 – 12/30/1915 | John Mitchell (R) | |
| 1915 – 1946 | Richard E. Collins (R) (3) | |
| 1947 – 8/18/1949 | William G Bonelli (R) (4) (Resigned Chair 8/18/1949) | George R. Reilly (D) (1) (1/1/1949 – 8/18/1949) |
| 8/18/1949 – 12/31/1950 | George R. Reilly (D) (1) | James H. Quinn (R) (2) |
| 1951 | James H. Quinn (R) (2) | Jerrold L. Seawell (R) (3) |
| 1952 – 10/19/1952 | Jerrold L. Seawell (R) (3) (Died in Office) | William G. Bonelli (R) (4) |
| 10/23/1952 – 12/31/1952 | William G. Bonelli (R) (4) | |
| 1953 | William G. Bonelli (R) (4) | George R. Reilly (D) (1) |
| 1954 | George R. Reilly (D) (1) | James H. Quinn (R) (2) |
| 1955 | James H. Quinn (R) (2) | Paul R. Leake (D) (3) |
| 1956 | Paul R. Leake (D) (3) | Robert E. McDavid (R) (4) |

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| 1957 | Robert E. McDavid (R) (4) | George R. Reilly (D) (1) |
| 1958 | George R. Reilly (D) (1) | James H. Quinn (R) (2) |
| 1959 | Paul R. Leake (D) (3) | John W. Lynch (D) (2) |
| 1960 | John W. Lynch (D) (2) | Richard Nevins (D) (4) |
| 1961 | John W. Lynch (D) (2) | George R. Reilly (D) (1) |
| 1962 | George R. Reilly (D) (1) | John W. Lynch (D) (2) |
| 1963 | John W. Lynch (D) (2) | Paul R. Leake (D) (3) |
| 1964 | Paul R. Leake (D) (3) | John W. Lynch (D) (2) |
| 1965 | John W. Lynch (D) (2) | George R. Reilly (D) (1) |
| 1966 | George R. Reilly (D) (1) | Paul R. Leake (D) (3) |
| 1967 | Paul R. Leake (D) (3) | Richard Nevins (D) (4) |
| 1968 | Richard Nevins (D) (4) | John W. Lynch (D) (2) |
| 1969 | John W. Lynch (D) (2) | George R. Reilly (D) (1) |
| 1970 | George R. Reilly (D) (1) | Paul R. Leake (D) (3) |
| 1971 | Richard Nevins (D) (4) | John W. Lynch (D) (2) |
| 1972 | John W. Lynch (D) (2) | William Bennett (D) (3) |
| 1973 | William Bennett (D) (3) | George R. Reilly (D) (1) |
| 1974 | George R. Reilly (D) (1) | Richard Nevins (D) (4) |
| 1975 ^d – 12/4/1975 | John W. Lynch (D) (2) (Died in Office) | William Bennett (D) (3) |
| 1976 – 1977 | William Bennett (D) (3) | George R. Reilly (D) (1) |
| 1978 | George R. Reilly (D) (1) | Iris Sankey (D) (2) |
| 1979 | William Bennett (D) (3) | Richard Nevins (D) (4) |
| 1980 | Richard Nevins (D) (4) | Ernest J. Dronenburg Jr. (R) (2) |
| 1981 | Ernest J. Dronenburg Jr. (R) (2) | George R. Reilly (D) (1) |

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| 1982 | William Bennett (D) (3) | Richard Nevins (D) (4) |
| 1983 ^e | William Bennett (D) (1) | Ernest J. Dronenburg Jr. (R) (3) |
| 1984 | Richard Nevins (D) (4) | Ernest J. Dronenburg Jr. (R) (3) |
| 1985 | Ernest J. Dronenburg Jr. (R) (3) | Conway H. Collis (D) (2) |
| 1986 | Richard Nevins (D) (4) | Conway H. Collis (D) (2) |
| 1987 | Conway H. Collis (D) (2) | Ernest J. Dronenburg Jr. (R) (3) |
| 1988 | Ernest J. Dronenburg Jr. (R) (3) | Paul Carpenter (D) (2) |
| 1989 | Paul Carpenter (D) (2) | Conway H. Collis (D) (2) |
| 1990 | Conway H. Collis (D) (2) | Ernest J. Dronenburg Jr. (R) (3) |
| 1/8/1991 – 3/20/1991 ^f | Ernest J. Dronenburg Jr. (R) (3) | Ernest J. Dronenburg Jr. (R) (3) |
| 3/21/1991 – 12/31/1992 | Brad Sherman (D) (2) | Ernest J. Dronenburg Jr. (R) (3) |
| 1993 – 1994 | Brad Sherman (D) (2) | Matthew K. Fong (R) (4) |
| 1995 – 1996 | Johan Klehs (D) (1) | Ernest J. Dronenburg Jr. (R) (3) |
| 1997 | Ernest J. Dronenburg Jr. (R) (3) | Johan Klehs (D) (1) |
| 1998 | Dean Andal (R) (2) | Johan Klehs (D) (1) |
| 1999 | Johan Klehs (D) (1) | Dean Andal (R) (2) |
| 2000 | Dean Andal (R) (2) | Claude Parrish (R) (3) |
| 2001 | Claude Parrish (R) (3) | John Chiang (D) (4) |
| 2002 | John Chiang (D) (4) | Johan Klehs (D) (1) |
| 2003 – 2004 | Carole Migden (D) (1) ^g John Chiang (D) (4) | Claude Parrish (R) (3) |
| 2005 – 2006 | John Chiang (D) (4) | Claude Parrish (R) (3) |
| 2007 | Betty T. Yee (D) (1) | Judy Chu (D) (4) |
| 2008 | Judy Chu (D) (4) | Betty T. Yee (D) (1) |

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| 2009 | Betty T. Yee (D) (1) | Judy Chu (D) (4) ^h Jerome E. Horton (D) (4) ⁱ |
| 2010 | Betty T. Yee (D) (1) | Jerome E. Horton (D) (4) |
| 2011 – 2014 | Jerome E. Horton (D) (4) | Michelle Steel (R) (3) |
| 2015 ^j – 2/24/2016 | Jerome E. Horton (D) (3) | George Runner (R) (1) |
| 2/24/2016 ^k – 2/23/2017 | Fiona Ma (D) (2) | Diane L. Harkey (R) (4) |
| 2/23/2017 ^l – 2/27/2018 | Diane L. Harkey (R) (4) | George Runner (R) (1) |
| 2/27/2018 ^m – 12/2018 | George Runner (R) (1) | Fiona Ma (D) (2) |
| 2019 ⁿ | Ted Gaines (R) (1) Malia M. Cohen (D) (2) | Malia M. Cohen (D) (2) Antonio Vazquez (D) (3) |
| 2020 – 2021 | Antonio Vazquez (D) (3) | Mike Schaefer (D) (4) |
| 2022 | Malia M. Cohen (D) (2) | Mike Schaefer (D) (4) |
| 2023 | Antonio Vazquez (D) (3) | Sally J. Lieber (D) (2) |
| 2024 | Sally J. Lieber (D) (2) | Ted Gaines (R) (1) |

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- ^a The Legislature passed a bill on April 4, 1870 creating a State Board of Equalization, which was to consist of the State Controller and two members to be appointed by the Governor for 4-year terms.
- ^b The Legislature, by an act on April 1, 1876, amended the Political Code which abolished the previous Board and substituted an ex-officio Board consisting of the Governor, Attorney General and State Controller.
- ^c In 1879, a constitutional amendment established the Board consisting of one member from each congressional district in the State, to be elected by the qualified electors of their respective districts at the general election to be held in 1879, whose term of office, after those first elected, should be four years, and that the Controller should be ex officio a member of the board. There were no Board Minutes from October 1879 to March 1880. These minutes are the source of this historical information about the chairs.
- ^d Mr. Nevins was elected Chair and Mr. Lynch, Vice Chair; Mr. Nevins resigned the same day and Mr. Lynch was elected chair with Mr. Bennett as Vice Chair.
- ^e Effective October 18, 1983, the State Legislature reapportioned the Equalization Districts and renumbered the first three districts: the old third became the new first, the old first became the new second and the old second became the new third.
- ^f There was no election. Mr. Dronenburg was Chair by effect of Mr. Collis leaving office.
- ^g Ms. Migden was elected to the California State Senate in November 2004. The Board elected Mr. Chiang as Chair on December 14, 2004.
- ^h Dr. Chu was Vice Chair until June 2009.
- ⁱ The Board elected Mr. Horton as Vice Chair on October 6, 2009.
- ^j In 2011, the California Citizens Redistricting Commission redrew and renumbered the Equalization Districts: the old first became the new second, the old second became the new first, the old third became the new fourth, and the old fourth became the new third.
- ^k The Board's election of Chair and Vice Chair was contemporaneous to the end of the February 2016 meeting.
- ^l The Board elected the Chair and Vice Chair at the end of the February 2017 meeting, effective immediately.
- ^m The Board elected the Chair and Vice Chair at the end of the February 2018 meeting, effective at the conclusion of the February meeting.
- ⁿ During its January 2019 meeting, the Board voted to rotate the Chair and Vice Chair from Districts 1 and 2 to Districts 2 and 3, respectively, effective immediately.