

BOARD OFFICERS AND DUTIES OF BOARD MEMBERS

Officers of the Board

President

The president shall preside at all meetings of the board and sign all papers and documents as required by law or as authorized by action of the board. The president shall conduct the meetings in a manner prescribed by the board's policies, provided that the president shall have the full right to participate in all aspects of board action without relinquishing the chair, including the right to vote on all matters put to a vote.

It shall be the responsibility of the president to manage the board's deliberation so that it shall be clear, concise, and directed to the issue at hand; summarize discussion and/or action before moving on to the next agenda item; and to generally manage the meeting so that the agenda is treated in an expeditious manner.

The president shall be the official recipient of correspondence directed to the board and shall provide, or cause to be provided to other board members and the superintendent, copies of the correspondence received on behalf of the board.

The president is authorized to consult with the superintendent on issues prior to presentation to the full board and perform tasks to facilitate board meetings.

In dealing with the media and the public in general, the president or his/her designee will serve as the spokesperson of the board. The president is authorized to report and discuss those actions which have been taken and those decisions made by the board as a body. The president shall avoid speculating upon actions or decisions which the board may take but has not yet taken.

The president shall confer with the superintendent regarding board meeting, study session and board retreat planning.

Vice President

The vice president shall preside at board meetings in the absence of the president and shall perform all of the duties of the president in case of his/her absence or disability.

Legislative Representative

The legislative representative shall monitor proposed school legislation and inform the board of the issues. The legislative representative shall also serve as the board's liaison to the Washington State School Directors' Association and other education-related groups with regard to legislative issues.

Duties of Individual Board Members

The authority of individual board members is limited to participating in actions taken by the board as a whole when legally in session. Board members shall not assume responsibilities of administrators or other staff members. The board or staff shall not be bound in any way by any action taken or statement made by any individual board member except when such statement or action is pursuant to specific instructions and official action taken by the board.

Each board member shall review the agenda and any study materials distributed prior to the meeting and be prepared to participate in the discussions and decision-making for each agenda item.

Each member is obligated to attend board meetings regularly. Whenever possible, each director shall give advance notice to the president or superintendent of his/her inability to attend a board meeting. A majority of the board may excuse a director's absence from a meeting if requested to do so. The board may declare a board member's position vacant after four consecutive unexcused absences from regular board meetings.

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| Legal References: | RCW 28A.320 | Provisions applicable to all districts. |
| | RCW 28A.330.030 | Duties of president. |
| | RCW 28A.330.040 | Duties of vice president. |
| | RCW 28A.330.080 | Payment of claims -- Signing of warrants. |
| | RCW 28A.330.100 | Additional powers of board. |
| | RCW 28A.330.200 | Organization of the board -- Assumption of superintendent's duties by board member, when. |
| | RCW 28A.343.390 | Directors -- Quorum -- Failure to attend meetings. |

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