

BF - BOARD POLICY DEVELOPMENT

The Board considers policy development one of its chief functions. It is the intent of the Board to develop policies and put them in writing so that they may serve as guidelines and goals for the successful and efficient functioning of the public schools.

The policies of the Board are developed, and are meant to be interpreted, in terms of state laws, regulations of the State Board of Education, and other applicable county, state and federal regulations. The policies are also framed, and meant to be interpreted, in terms of those educational objectives, procedures and practices that are broadly accepted by leaders and authorities in the public education field.

The Board, representing the people of the district, is the governing body which determines all questions of general policy to be employed in the conduct of the public schools.

The chief function of the Board is to provide for the progress and welfare of all the schools under its control, and is to be responsible for formulating policies for the general management of the schools in the district.

The Board acts as a policy making body and through its own actions legislates to make effective these policies.

The Board acts as an appraisal body rendering judgment upon recommendations that may come through its executive officers or its own members which concern the progress and improvement of the schools.

The Board shall sit as a judicial body when the superintendent requests a hearing or an appeal by any school employee, groups of employees, or student or groups of students.

The Board shall carefully deliberate on all issues to be considered. The majority action of the Board on a given issue shall become policy of the entire board until such time as the question is again raised for consideration or change.

The Board shall delegate administrative authority to the Superintendent of Schools but shall be responsible to the people for the results produced. The Board may accept, modify, or reject recommendations of the superintendent and may call for new recommendations.

Changes in needs, conditions, purposes and objectives will require revisions, deletions and additions to the policies of present and future boards. The Board will welcome suggestions for ongoing policy development.

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