

Board President

The Board President shall be a member of the Board of Directors and shall be elected by a majority vote of the Board at its organizational meeting in odd-numbered years, or at the annual meeting in even-numbered years, to serve a one-year term of office. Board members elected to offices of the Board will take the Oath of Office.

It is the responsibility of the Board President to lead a well-organized Board in an efficient and effective manner. The President of the Board shall preside at all Board meetings and shall be responsible for the orderly conduct of the meeting. The Board President will set the tone of the Board meetings and, as the representative of the consensus of the Board, speak on behalf of the Board to the public. The President may represent the Board/District at official or ceremonial events and shall perform all other duties required by law.

The duties of the President may be delegated by the Board to the Vice-President or another Board member, if the President is temporarily unable to serve. When the Vice President is not available, the position shall be assumed by the member with the longest continuous seniority on the Board. The Board shall appoint a temporary President in the absence of the regular elected officer. However, if the President of the Board is unable or unwilling to fulfill or complete the term of office, then the Board of Directors shall re-elect a new President when the current President steps down or resigns.

The President, in addition to presiding at the Board meetings, will take an active role in Board decisions by discussing and voting on each motion before the Board in the same manner as other Board members. The President shall be entitled to vote on all matters that come before the Board. However, before making or seconding a motion, the Board President will turn over control of the meeting to either the Vice-President or other Board member.

Prior to Board meetings, the President will consult with the Superintendent and Board Secretary on the development of the agenda for the meeting. The President has the authority to call special meetings of the Board.

The President, as the chief officer of the District, will sign employment contracts and sign other contracts and District warrants approved by the Board. The Board President will appear on behalf of the school corporation in causes of action involving the District.

Legal Reference: Iowa Code §§ 279.1-.2; 291.1

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