



Board Members explaining their role in public service to a group of boy scouts who attended our Annual Meeting.



Board Member, Caren Diedrich, participating in our annual 4th Grade Kindness Retreat.



First ever B.E.A.M. Award ceremony coordinated by Board Member, Marilyn Ruffin.

No student may be unlawfully discriminated against or harassed because of the student's sex (including gender identity, gender expression and nonconformity to gender role stereotypes), color, religion, profession or demonstration of belief or nonbelief, race, national origin (including limited English proficiency), ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, homelessness status, sexual orientation, age, or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability. (SPASD Policy JB)

The Sun Prairie Area School District celebrates and values our diverse community. We support and are inclusive of all students, staff, families, and community members of all races, ethnicities, faiths, national origins, immigration statuses, political viewpoints, abilities, sexual orientations, and gender identities.

## Board of Education Meetings

6:00pm | District Support Center or City Hall

<i>September 23, 2019</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
<i>September 30, 2019</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
<i>October 7, 2019</i>	<i>Annual Board Meeting</i>
<i>October 14, 2019*</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting/Workshop</i>
<i>October 28, 2019</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
<i>November 11, 2019</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting/Workshop</i>
<i>November 25, 2019</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
<i>December 2, 2019</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting/Workshop</i>
<i>December 16, 2019</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
<i>January 13, 2020</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting/Workshop</i>
<i>January 27, 2020</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
<i>February 10, 2020</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting/Workshop</i>
<i>February 24, 2020</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
<i>March 9, 2020</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting/Workshop</i>
<i>March 16, 2020</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
<i>April 13, 2020</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting/Workshop</i>
<i>April 27, 2020</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
<i>May 11, 2020</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting/Workshop</i>
<i>May 26, 2020</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>

\*Board meeting time adjusted to 6:30pm

For the most up to date information about the location and time of School Board Meetings, please check the District's Website:

[www.sunprairieschools.org/district/board-of-education](http://www.sunprairieschools.org/district/board-of-education)

## Concerns/Conflicts

District related concerns should be resolved at the closest level to the issue as possible. If further action is needed, concerns may be forwarded to the building principal or superintendent. Visit our website at [www.sunprairieschools.org](http://www.sunprairieschools.org) to learn more about policy governance, upcoming agendas and minutes.

# BOARD OF EDUCATION GOVERNANCE IN ACTION 2019-2020



Sun Prairie Area  
School District

Futures depend on us...every child, every day.

# Governance Model Background

The Sun Prairie Area School Board has adopted the “Coherent Governance” model as a framework to clarify their roles and responsibilities, empowering and enabling them to govern well. The model includes Student Results Policies, Operational Expectations, Governance Culture Policies, and Board-Superintendent Relationship Policies to guide them in their role as Board members.

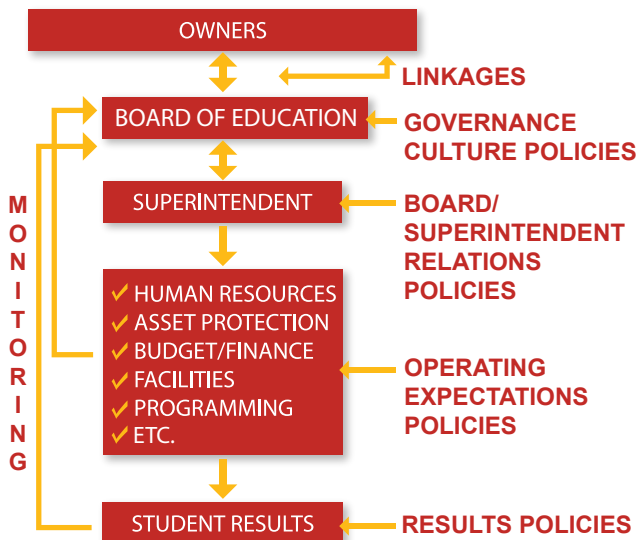
The Board’s job is to represent, lead, and serve the citizens and to govern the district by establishing expectations for student achievement results, expectations for quality operational performance, and monitoring actual performance against those expectations.



## GOVERNANCE CULTURE

The Board will govern lawfully and ethically with primary focus on:

- Setting the vision and direction rather than internal preoccupation
- Strategic leadership more than management detail
- Future rather than past or present
- Clear distinction of Board and Superintendent roles
- Encouraging all voices be heard, especially the community whom we serve and represent
- Building trusting and respectful relationships
- And most importantly **student achievement**



**Board Purpose:** The Sun Prairie Area School District Board of Education is the governing Board of the Sun Prairie Area School District. The Board leads, directs, and supervises the affairs of the District through policy development and accountability. The Board serves, and is accountable to, the community primarily by ensuring the district achieves the results described in the Board’s Student Achievement Results Policies and that it operates according to the values expressed in the Board’s Operational Expectations Policies.

**Board/Superintendent Relations:** The Board and superintendent will work together as colleagues as documented in policy to achieve the Student Results.

**Community Linkages:** These sessions are hosted by the Board to gather information and understanding of what the community’s values are for the students and the district. They are candid, open conversations.

**Monitoring Reports:** Each report is an in-depth examination of Student Result Policies and Operational Expectation Policies to ensure district accountability.

The Sun Prairie Area School District Board of Education is made up of seven elected community members to serve three-year terms. The Board appoints two non-voting student members that each serve a one-year term. All School Board elections are nonpartisan and held in April. The superintendent is appointed by the Board.

## Board of Education:

<b>Steve Schroeder</b>	<i>President</i>	<i>*(2022)</i>
<b>Tom Weber</b>	<i>Vice President</i>	<i>*(2020)</i>
<b>Carol Sue Albright</b>	<i>Clerk</i>	<i>*(2020)</i>
<b>Dave Hoekstra</b>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>*(2022)</i>
<b>Marilyn Ruffin</b>	<i>Deputy Clerk</i>	<i>*(2021)</i>
<b>Bryn Horton</b>	<i>Governance Officer</i>	<i>*(2021)</i>
<b>Caren Diedrich</b>	<i>Member</i>	<i>*(2022)</i>
<b>Emily Flood</b>	<i>Student Member</i>	<i>*(2020)</i>
<b>Quinn Williams</b>	<i>Student Member</i>	<i>*(2021)</i>

*\* Term Expires*



**Student Mega Result:** Every student will graduate with the strengths, skills and academic preparation necessary for personal growth and success for the betterment of their communities.