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## <u>Membership</u>

The District is governed by a Board of Trustees consisting of five (5) members. Each member represents a different trustee zone unless a trustee was appointed at-large to fill a Board vacancy. The Board's powers and duties include the broad authority to adopt and enforce all necessary policies for the management and government of the public schools. Except as otherwise provided by law, trustees shall hold office for a term of four (4) years.

Each trustee shall qualify for and assume office on January 1 next following the election, or, if appointed, at the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees next following such appointment. At the first meeting after a trustee assumes office, an oath of office shall be administered to the trustee, whether elected, reelected or appointed. Said oath may be administered by the clerk, or by another trustee, of the district, and the records of the district shall show such oath of office to have been taken, and by whom administered and shall be filed with the official records of the district.

All trustees shall have the opportunity to participate on an equal basis. Official action by Board members must occur at a duly called and legally conducted meeting convened to make a decision or to deliberate toward a decision on any matter. Individual members of the Board have official status only when acting formally as members of the Board while in session, or when specifically entrusted by the Board to carry out specific assignments. The Board shall not be bound in any way by any action or statement on the part of an individual Board member except when such actions or statements are in accordance with specific instruction from the Board. All commitments of the Board shall be made during regular or special meetings.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-313 Trustee Zones

I.C. § 33-501 Board of Trustees

I.C. § 33-506 Organization and Government of Board of Trustees

I.C. § 67-2341 Open Public Meetings – Definitions

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