BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Powers and Duties of the Board

The Board recognizes that the primary mission of the Washington common schools is to assure learning experiences to help all children develop skills and attitudes fundamental to receiving individual satisfaction as responsible, contributing citizens.

As trustee for the community's schools, the Board of Directors is responsible for:

1. Community Representation: Learning the concerns and aspirations that all segments of the community have for the schools and attempting to find ways to accommodate them, where possible, so that the schools will accurately respond to the needs of the community.

2. Policy Development: Adopting policies that will guide and develop the district's educational program.

3. Operations Assessment: Generally overseeing district operations and taking such actions as are necessary to assure compliance with law and district policy, as well as the development of the educational program.

4. Fiscal Management: Authorizing the district's annual budget and approving expenditures pursuant to that budget.

5. Dispute Resolution: As the final arbiter within the district, resolving disputes brought by students, staff, or patrons, except those which by law or contract are assigned elsewhere for resolution.

The Board of Directors is the legislative body of the district, and shall exercise the full authority granted to it by the laws and regulations of the State of Washington.

The Board requests each of its members to subscribe to the code of ethics adopted by the Washington State School Director's Association.

Legal Reference:	RCW	28A.320.010	Corporate Powers
		28A.150.230	Basic Education Act District Directors Accountable for Proper Operation of District
		28A.330.100	Additional Powers of Board

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