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Authority

The Board of Education is constituted, authorized, and governed by the statutes of the State of New Jersey, Title 18A, Education.

Powers

The Board shall make, amend, and repeal rules not inconsistent with statutes or with the rules of the State Board of Education for its own government and the transaction of its business and for the government and management of the public schools and the public property of the school district and for the employment, regulation of, conduct, and discharge of its employees. The Board shall perform all acts and do all things, consistent with law and the rules of the State Board, necessary for the proper conduct, equipment and maintenance of the public schools of the District.

Required Functions of The Board Of Education

A. Legislative and Policymaking

The Board is responsible for the development of policy and for the employment of a chief school administrator who shall carry out its policies through the development and implementation of regulations as well as on site supervision

B. Appraisal

The Board is responsible for evaluating the effectiveness of its policies and their implementation. It is also responsible for the evaluation of the chief school administrator.

C. Educational Planning

The Board is responsible for establishing goals and objectives which will guide both the Board and the staff in working together toward the continuing improvement of the educational program.

D. Provision of Financial Resources

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The Board has major responsibilities for the adoption of a budget which will provide the wherewithal--in terms of buildings, staff, materials, and equipment--to enable the school system to carry out its functions.

E. Public Relations

The Board is responsible for providing adequate and direct means for keeping the local community informed about the school and for keeping itself and the school staff informed about the wishes of the public. All planning, both that which is and that which is not related to the budget, needs to be interpreted to the public if citizens are to support the school program.

F. To act as an advocate for children

The Board believes that, by diligently exercising these functions, it will be able to provide within the financial limitations set by the community, the best educational opportunities possible for our students.

The Board shall exercise its powers through the legislation of bylaws and policies for the organization and operation of the school district.

The Board shall be responsible to see that the District is run well. The operation of the District shall be delegated to the Superintendent, who shall be appointed by a recorded roll-call majority vote of the full membership of the Board.

The Board may hear appeals in complaints and in grievance and disciplinary actions as defined in the policies and in the law.

N.J.S.A. 18A:10-1; 18A:11-1; 18A:16-1; 18A:20-1; 18A:27-4

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