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The Governing Board has been elected by the community to provide leadership and citizen oversight of the district. The Board shall ensure that the district is responsive to the values, beliefs, and priorities of the community.

The Board shall work with the Superintendent to fulfill its major responsibilities, which include:

1. Setting the direction for the district through a process that involves the community, parents/guardians, students, and staff and is focused on student learning and achievement

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(cf. 0000 - Vision)
(cf. 0100 - Philosophy)
(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
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- 2. Establishing an effective and efficient organizational structure for the district by:
 - a. Employing the Superintendent and setting policy for hiring of other personnel

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(cf. 2110 - Superintendent Responsibilities and Duties) (cf. 2120 - Superintendent Recruitment and Selection) (cf. 2121 - Superintendent's Contract) (cf. 4000 - Concepts and Roles) (cf. 4111/4211/4311 - Recruitment and Selection)
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b. Overseeing the development and adoption of policies

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(cf. 9310 - Board Policies)
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c. Establishing academic expectations and adopting the curriculum and instructional materials

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(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6141 - Curriculum Development and Evaluation)
(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6146.5 - Elementary/Middle School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials)
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d. Establishing budget priorities and adopting the budget

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(cf. 3000 - Concepts and Roles)
(cf. 3100 - Budget)
(cf. 3312 - Contracts)
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e. Providing safe, adequate facilities that support the district's instructional program

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(cf. 3517 - Facilities Inspection)
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- (cf. 7110 Facilities Master Plan)
- (cf. 7150 Site Selection and Development)
- (cf. 7210 Facilities Financing)
- f. Setting parameters for negotiations with employee organizations and ratifying collective bargaining agreements

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(cf. 4141/4241 - Collective Bargaining Agreement)
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- (cf. 4143/4243 Negotiations/Consultation)
- 3. Providing support to the Superintendent and staff as they carry out the Board's direction by:
 - a. Establishing and adhering to standards of responsible governance

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(cf. 9005 - Governance Standards)
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- (cf. 9011 Disclosure of Confidential/Privileged Information)
- (cf. 9200 Limits of Board Member Authority)
- (cf. 9270 Conflict of Interest)
- b. Making decisions and providing resources that support district priorities and goals
- c. Upholding Board policies
- d. Being knowledgeable about district programs and efforts in order to serve as effective spokespersons
- 4. Ensuring accountability to the public for the performance of the district's schools by:
 - a. Evaluating the Superintendent and setting policy for the evaluation of other personnel

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(cf. 2140- Evaluation of the Superintendent)
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(cf. 4115/4215/4315 - Evaluation/Supervision)

- b. Monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness of policies. Serving as a judicial (hearing) and appeals body in accordance with law, Board policies, and negotiated agreements
 - (cf. 1312.1 Complaints Concerning District Employees)
 - (cf. 1312.2 Complaints Concerning Instructional Materials)
 - (cf. 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures)
 - (cf. 1312.4 Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)
 - (cf. 4030 Nondiscrimination in Employment)
 - (cf. 4117.3 Personnel Reduction)

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(cf. 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
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- (cf. 4144/4244/4344 Complaints)
- (cf. 4218 Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
- (cf. 5116.1 Intradistrict Open Enrollment)
- (cf. 5117 Interdistrict Attendance)
- (cf. 5119 Students Expelled from Other Districts)
- (cf. 5125.3 Challenging Student Records)
- (cf. 5144.1 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
- (cf. 6159.1 Procedural Safeguards and Complaints for Special Education)
- (cf. 6164.6 Identification and Education Under Section 504)
- c. Monitoring student achievement and program effectiveness and requiring program changes as necessary
 - (cf. 0500 Accountability)
 - (cf. 6162.5 Student Assessment)
 - (cf. 6162.51 State Academic Achievement Tests)
 - (cf. 6190 Evaluation of the Instructional Program)
- d. Monitoring and adjusting district finances
 - (cf. 3460 Financial Reports and Accountability)
- e. Monitoring the collective bargaining process
- 5. Providing community leadership and advocacy on behalf of students, the district's educational program, and public education in order to build support within the local community and at the state and national levels
 - (cf. 0510 School Accountability Report Card)
 - (cf. 1100 Communication with the Public) (cf. 1112 Media Relations)
 - (cf. 1160 Political Processes)
 - (cf. 1400 Relations between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
 - (cf. 1700 Relations between Private Industry and the Schools)
 - (cf. 9010 Public Statements)

The Board is authorized to establish and finance any program or activity that is not in conflict with, inconsistent with, or preempted by law. (Education Code 35160)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

5304 Duties of governing board (re school district elections)

12400-12405 Authority to participate in federal programs

17565-17592 Board duties re property maintenance and control

33319.5 Implementation of authority of local agencies

35000 District name

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35010 Control of district; prescription and enforcement of rules 35020-35046 Officers and agents 35100-35351 Governing boards 35160-35185 Powers and duties 35291 Rules

Management Resources:
CSBA PUBLICATIONS
Professional Governance Standards, November 2000
NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION PUBLICATIONS
The Key Work of School Boards, 2000 WEB SITES
CSBA: http://www.csba.org
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