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299 STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE/S TO THE SCHOOL BOARD

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide for student input on the school board through the establishment of a student representative/s who shall be an ex officio member of the school board.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

A. Selection

A student/s shall be selected from the student body of the Brooklyn Center Secondary and/or Early College Academy to serve on the school board. This/These student/s shall provide student views and suggestions in regard to the development of educational policies and programs and will serve as an advisor/s to the school board.

B. Eligibility

Persons selected from the student body shall be a member of the junior class during the selection period.

C. Term

Student representative/s shall serve for two school years beginning in October of the junior year and ending upon graduation.

D. Appointment

Applications will be reviewed by the Superintendent and School Board. The student representative/s will be appointed in mid-September of each year for the term beginning in October.

E. Rights and Responsibilities

1. Student representatives shall attend all school board meetings and some work sessions as needed; and provide perspective, from the student point of view, to school board deliberations.
2. If the selected representative/s is unable to attend a meeting, the Secondary Centaur Council President shall serve as a temporary substitute.
3. The student representative/s will prepare for school board meetings by becoming familiar with agenda items and attached materials received prior to each school board meeting.
4. The student representative/s will participate in the regular school board orientation and any other in-service activities deemed appropriate by the Superintendent.
5. The student representative shall abide by the school board's policies, rules, of parliamentary procedure, and processes.

6. The student representative/s should report to all students on all matters discussed at board meetings which pertain to the student body.
7. Student representatives may be required to work with the student body on projects as designated by the school board.
8. The Board may provide a scholarship or other financial benefit to the student from district funds. Additionally, the student representatives would be able to apply for the MSBA student board member scholarship during their senior year.

F. Limitations

1. The student representatives shall not be voting members of the board, but may be recognized in board discussions in the same manner as board members.
2. The student representatives shall not be present at executive sessions.
3. The student representatives shall not be included for the purposes of determining quorum.
4. Student representatives will not be provided with materials pertaining to confidential issues such as sensitive personnel matters, legal action strategy, land acquisition or sale information, negotiations strategy, individual discipline, items covered by attorney-client privilege, private student data, or other confidential matters.

Legal References:

Cross References: