

## **ADMINISTRATION IN THE ABSENCE OF POLICY OR PROCEDURE**

The purpose of Board Policies is primarily to give direction to the Superintendent and to inform the public of the Board's position on matters relating to the operation of the Grandview Schools. In view of the many complex issues and problems facing the school administration, the Board recognizes that at times decisions may need to be made on matters of importance which are not covered by existing policies.

The Superintendent and other staff to whom administrative or supervisory authority has been delegated shall be authorized to use their best judgement in the absence of a specific policy or procedure, provided that such action shall not be in conflict with the general aims and objectives of the district or with any local, state or national ordinances, statutes, regulations or directives. In the event there is doubt as to the appropriate course of action or if it is apparent that the consequences could be serious, the staff member is expected to contact the superintendent or other administrator who could provide appropriate assistance.

Whenever action in the absence of specific policy has been taken by a staff member which creates a potential for controversy or a potential for the incurring of district financial obligation or where the situation is likely to recur frequently, then such action shall be brought to the attention of the Superintendent as soon as possible and to the attention of the board at its next regular meeting. In situations where a reasonable person could determine that the above actions taken by a staff member should be brought to the **immediate** attention of the board, the superintendent shall be notified and he/she shall immediately consult with the board president/chairman as to the advisability of calling a special board meeting to review the staff member's action.

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