BBBA: Officers of the Board

At the annual meeting in July, the Board shall elect a president and vice president. The president and vice-president shall serve for one fiscal year or until successors are elected. The office of president and vice president shall not automatically rotate in order of length of service on the Board. Board members shall take into consideration qualifications that make a good leader and officer in nominating a member for office.

President's Duties

In addition to the duties prescribed by law or by the policies of the Board, the President will exercise such other duties and powers as listed below and as properly pertain to the office or as may be delegated by the Board:

- 1. Prepare an agenda in advance of each meeting in accordance with policy.
- 2. Serve as official spokesperson for the Board or appoint another member to speak for the Board in communications with the media.
- 3. When the Board is not in session, act on any emergency matter that may arise and report action taken at the next meeting.
- 4. Establish liaisons with other governmental agencies to assist in cooperative action.
- 5. Provide necessary leadership to individual board members to help them serve as a productive part of the Board and also to help the Board act as a cohesive whole.
- 6. Be available for counsel to the district administrator.

At all meetings of the Board, the President, may not make or second a motion but will exercise privileges and duties of a board member, including the duty to vote on any question put to the vote of the entire board. The President may also contribute to the discussion in order to provide information or point out aspects not brought forth by other members but shall not take advantage of the power of the chair to monopolize the discussion or exert undue influence on the vote.

Vice President's Duties

The Vice President may preside over meetings or portions of meetings when the President is absent, a conflict of interest exists for the President, or to avoid an appearance of impropriety by the President. In addition, the Vice President shall fill a vacancy in the presidency resulting from removal, resignation, or death until a successor is elected. The Board shall elect a new vice president through a simple majority vote.

Absence

When the President and Vice President are absent from a board meeting, the most senior board member present shall act as the chair pro-tem unless s/he refuses to serve. In such case, the Superintendent shall call the meeting to order and the Board shall elect a chair pro-tem.

Removal

When a board-elected officer exhibits behavior that reflects negatively on the Board, the board may remove the officer from office before his/her term expires through an affirmative vote to rescind the vote by which the officer was elected. Negative behavior includes, but is not limited to: public intoxication; conviction of domestic abuse, sexual abuse, assault, child abuse or child neglect; contributing to the consumption of alcohol or controlled substances by minors; or failure to discharge duties as an officer of the Board.

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