Board of Trustees Oath of Office

An oath of office is required to be administered to each School Board Trustee, whether elected, reelected, or appointed. The trustee is required to take his/her oath within ten (10) days after the trustee has given notice of his/her election or appointment, or within fifteen (15) days from the commencement of his/her term of office. Before any school district trustee elected or appointed enters upon the duties of his/her office, he/she must take the following oath:

I do solemnly swear (or affirm, if re-elected) that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Idaho, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of Trustee of Lakeland Joint School District #272 according to the best of my ability.

The oath is required to be administered by the clerk or Trustee. Additionally, the records of the district are required to show that such oath of office has been taken and by whom the oath was administered. This information is required to be filed with the official records of the district.

A School District Trustee holds office when they are appointed, or from January 1, following their election in November, until January 1 in the year in which the term of office expires. All new Trustees must take an oath of office which shall be administered at a regularly scheduled board meeting. Trustees shall fulfill the term of office unless he or she:

- 1. Dies;
- 2. Resigns as Trustee;
- 3. Refuses to serve as Trustee:
- 4. Removes him or herself from the trustee zone of residence;
- 5. Is no longer a resident or school district elector of the District;
- 6. Fails to attend four (4) consecutive regular meetings of the Board without an acceptable excuse to the Board of Trustees; or
- 7. Is recalled and discharged from office.

Legal Reference:

I.C. § 33-501 Board of Trustees

I.C. § 33-504 Vacancies on Boards of Trustees

I.C. § 59-401 Loyalty Oath—Form

I.C. § 59-402 Time of Taking Oath

Policy History

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