

REEDSPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT

POLICY: SCHOOL BOARD POWERS AND DUTIES

CODE: BBA

The Legislature of the State of Oregon delegates to the Board responsibility for the conduct and governance of schools. The general powers granted to the Board are:

1. Legislative or Rule-Making Authority

In regular or special public meetings, after open discussion and after the votes of members are taken on the record, the Board will establish rules or policy to govern the conduct of its members and the proceedings of the Board.

The Board will establish rules for governance of schools and pupils consistent with the rules of the State Board of Education and with state and federal laws.

The Board is responsible for providing adequate and direct means for keeping itself informed about the needs and wishes of the public, and for keeping local citizens informed about the schools.

2. Judicial Authority

As provided by law, policy, or contract, the Board acts as a factfinding body or a court of appeal for staff members, students, and the public when issues involve Board policies or agreements and their fair implementation, and when the Board must determine the rights, duties, or obligations of those persons who come before it.

3. Executive/Administrative Authority

The Board will appoint a superintendent and delegate to him or her the authority to establish administrative regulations to implement Board policy and goals. The Board will evaluate the superintendent in the performance of his or her duties.

The Board may establish academic and financial goals for the district and evaluate the superintendent's implementation of those goals.

The Board will oversee the financial affairs of the district by authorizing, appropriating and approving budgets and by proposing tax levy or bond elections to provide for operation of programs and maintenance or acquisition of district property.

The Board will authorize and approve payment on all contracts and business transactions of the district. The Board will provide for an annual audit of the district's assets.

The Board will employ the staff necessary to carry out the educational program and will provide for regular evaluation of staff.

The Board will direct the collective bargaining process to establish labor contracts with the district's personnel. The Board will establish, through the collective bargaining process where appropriate, salaries and salary schedules, other terms and conditions of employment, and personnel policies for district-wide application.

The Board will fix the days of the year and the hours of the day when school will be in session.

The Board will perform such other duties and responsibilities as required by law and district policy.

The Board of Directors shall have power to elect its own officers annually on or by the third Wednesday of July; to make its own rules and regulations, subject to the provisions of this article; to organize and maintain a system of graded schools; and to exercise the sole control over the schools and property of all schools of the district within the limits authorized by Oregon law.

END OF POLICY

Legal References:

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