

PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board of Education Policy

SCHOOL BOARD POWERS AND DUTIES

The School Board is a legally constituted body that is charged with the duty of developing policies for governing public education in the District. The Board shall represent and act for the state in providing the District with the kind of educational programs and facilities required or permitted by law. The Board shall act officially only in duly authorized and legally held meetings.

It is the first duty of the Board to set down broad policy guidelines which can give direction to students, the staff, and the general public as to how it intends to carry out its responsibilities as outlined in the State Statutes as well as any statements of broad purpose adopted by the Board. It is the further duty of the Board to review and evaluate the implementation of all action taken in its name to determine how effective such action has been and to make certain that it has been carried out in a manner consistent with Board policies. It is also the responsibility of the Board to inform the community of its stewardship, to seek its support and understanding, to solicit its ideas for improvement, and to implement those ideas within the practical limitations of the financial resources available.

In addition, the Board may do all things reasonable to promote the cause of education, including establishing, providing and improving district programs, functions and activities for the benefit of students. Specific duties of the Board include:

1. To select the Superintendent and delegate to the Superintendent the authority to execute Board action.
2. To appoint all other school personnel upon nomination and recommendation of the Superintendent.
3. To modify and approve the annual budget prepared by the Superintendent for presentation at the annual meeting, along with the necessary tax levy.
4. To authorize expenditures and approve the payment of bills.
5. To consider, advise, and initiate action on the recommendations of the Superintendent for changes in the educational programs of the schools.
6. To develop policies to accommodate new problems, clarify policies to meet changing conditions, and approve administrative rules and regulations developed to implement policy when required by law or Board policy, or at the request of the Superintendent.
7. To require and evaluate reports of the Superintendent and staff concerning the financial status of the schools.
8. To review educational programs, evaluate educational progress, and provide for public review of program development in the schools.
9. To oversee the process of negotiations whereby personnel salaries, fringe benefits, and working conditions are determined and to make final commitments called for by such negotiations.
10. To provide for the maintenance of facilities and the repair and replacement of equipment.
11. To provide for student transportation.
12. To perform such duties as prescribed by law.

LEGAL REFERENCES: Sections 118.001 Wisconsin Statutes
 120.10
 120.12
 120.13

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