

LAKWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT #306  
BOARD POLICY #1421

1000 SCHOOL BOARD OPERATIONS

1400 Organization of Board

1420 Members of the Board

1421 Duties and Responsibilities

Members of the Board should endeavor to attend all meetings, discuss items presented on the agenda, suggest other items for consideration and vote upon motions and resolutions presented.

Official decisions of the Board can be arrived at only at duly constituted board meetings. Individual board members or groups of board members do not have independent authority to speak for the board and should make no out-of-meeting commitments unless directed to do so on behalf of the board.

It is important that board members be nonpartisan in dealing with school matters and not subordinate the education of children and youth to any partisan principle, group interest, or personal ambition.

In addition to the foregoing, board members should meet the following qualifications:

1. They should have personal integrity, intelligence, and appreciation of the values of good education.
2. They should be successful citizens, willing and capable of assuming responsibility.
3. They should have the ability to work with others, should have the courage of their convictions, should always vote their beliefs, and should be champions of the public schools.
4. They should be prepared and willing to devote a sufficiently large amount of time to the study of the problems of education in their own district, as well as the state and nation at large, so as to be able to interpret them to the electorate of the district.
5. They must be willing and able to make sacrifices of their time, knowledge, and personal pleasure for the benefit of the district.