

Board Powers and Duties

The Legislature of the state of Oregon delegates to the Board responsibility for the conduct and governance of schools in the district. 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 members' votes are recorded, the Board will establish rules or policy to govern the conduct of its members and the proceedings of the Board.

The Board shall establish rules for governing schools and students in the district consistent with State Board of Education rules and with local, state and federal laws.

The Board is responsible for providing adequate and direct means for keeping themselves 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 fact-finding body or a court of appeal for staff members, students and the public when issues involve Board policies or agreements and their implementation, and when the Board must determine the rights, duties or obligations of those parties who address the Board.

3. Executive/Administrative Authority

The Board will appoint a superintendent and delegate to the superintendent to establish administrative regulations to implement the Board's policies and goals. The Board will evaluate the superintendent's performance.

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 district's financial affairs by authorizing, appropriating and adopting a district budget and by proposing tax levy or bond elections, when appropriate and as allowed by law. The district budget will provide for program operation and maintenance or acquisition of district property, as necessary.

The Board will authorize the superintendent to approve payment on all contracts and business transactions of the district in accordance with Board policies on purchasing and budget requirements. The Board will provide for an annual audit of the district's assets.

The Board, through the superintendent, will employ the staff necessary to carry out the educational program. The superintendent or designee will conduct regular evaluations 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 districtwide application.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 192.630](#)

[ORS 243.656](#)

[ORS Chapters 279A, 279B and 279C](#)

[ORS 294.305 to -294.565](#)

[ORS 328.205 to -328.304](#)

[ORS 332.072](#)

[ORS 332.075](#)

[ORS 332.105](#)

[ORS 332.107](#)

[ORS Chapter 339](#)

[ORS 342.805 to -342.937](#)

[ORS Chapter 343](#)