

Regular and Student Members; Terms of Office

Regular Members

The Governing Board shall consist of seven members.

The term of office for members elected in regular elections shall be four years and staggered so that, as nearly as practicable, one-half of the members are elected in each even-numbered year.

(cf. 9220 - Elections)

(cf. 9223 - Filling Vacancies)

Student Board Members

The Board believes it is important to seek out and consider students' ideas, viewpoints and reactions to the educational program. In order to facilitate student input and involvement, student Board member(s) are encouraged to attend all Board meetings except closed sessions.

Procedures for the selection and appointment of student Board members shall be approved by the Board. The term of student Board members shall be one calendar year, commencing on July 1. (Education Code 35012)

Student Board members shall be seated with regular Board members and be recognized at meetings as full members. They may participate in questioning witnesses and discussing issues and shall receive all materials presented to Board members except those related to closed sessions.

Student Board members may be reimbursed for expenses incurred in meeting responsibilities of the position, but shall not receive the compensation for attendance at Board meetings to which regular Board members may be entitled. (Education Code 35012)

(cf. 9250 - Remuneration, Reimbursement, Other Benefits)

Student Board members may exercise a preferential vote on agenda items with the exception of items involving personnel or items which have been a subject of closed session deliberation. The preferential vote is advisory and will in no case determine the outcome of the agenda item. The vote shall be recorded in the Board meeting minutes.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

5000-5033 Election of school district board members

33000.5 Appointment of student members (state department of education)

35010 Control of district

35012 Board members; number, election and terms, nonvoting pupil members

35107 Eligibility (adult member)

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