

## **President**

The Governing Board shall elect a president from among its members to provide leadership on behalf of the Board and the educational community it serves.

(cf. 9000 – Role of the Board)

(cf. 9005 – Governance Standards)

(cf. 9100 – Organization)

To ensure that Board meetings are conducted in an efficient, transparent, and orderly manner, the president shall:

1. Call such meetings of the Board as the President may deem necessary, giving notice as required by law

(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

(cf. 9321 - Closed Session Purposes and Agendas)

2. Consult with the Superintendent or designee on the preparation of Board meeting agendas

(cf. 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials)

3. Call the meeting to order at the appointed time and preside over the meeting

4. Announce the business to come before the Board in its proper order

5. Enforce the Board's bylaws related to the conduct of meetings and help ensure compliance with applicable requirements of the Brown Act

6. Recognize persons who desire to speak

7. Facilitate the Board's effective deliberation, ensuring that each Board member has an opportunity to participate in the deliberation and that the discussion remains focused

8. Rule on parliamentary procedure

9. Put motions to a vote, and state clearly the results of the vote

(cf. 9323 – Meeting Conduct)

With Board approval, agenda items may be rearranged during a meeting in order to accommodate the public.

The president shall have all the rights of any member of the Board, including the right to move, second, discuss, and vote on all questions before the Board.

The Board President shall also perform other duties in accordance with law and Board policy, including,

but not limited to:

1. Signing all instruments, acts, orders and resolutions necessary to comply with legal requirements and carry out the will of the Board
2. Working with the Superintendent, or designee, to ensure that Board members have necessary materials and information;
3. Subject to Board approval, appointing and dissolving all committees

(cf. 9130 - Board Committees)

4. In conjunction with the Superintendent or designee, representing the district as a spokesperson in communications with the media

(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)

5. Leading the Board's advocacy efforts to build support within the local community and at the state and national levels

The president is encouraged to participate in the California School Boards Association's Board President's Workshop and other professional development opportunities to enhance their leadership skills.

(cf. 9240 - Board Training)

When the president resigns or is absent or disabled, the clerk shall perform the president's duties. When both the president and the clerk are absent or disabled, the Board shall choose a president pro tempore to perform the president's duties.

(cf. 9123 – Clerk)

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Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35022 President of the board

35143 Annual organizational meetings; dates and notice

GOVERNMENT CODE

54950-54963 Ralph M. Brown Act

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Board Presidents' Handbook, revised 2002

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