

INTRODUCTION AND INFORMATION

The Board shall establish programs and policies, which shall best produce the educational achievement needed by District students and do so within the financial limitations of the District. The Board will function as a legislative body in formulating and adopting policy, by selecting an executive officer to implement policy and by evaluating the results. Further, the Board shall carry out its functions openly in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

Board members have authority only when acting as a body regularly in session. The Board speaks through its minutes and not through its individual members. An act of the Board shall not be valid unless approved at an official meeting by at least a majority vote of the members elected to and serving on the Board. M.C.L.A. 380.1201

The Board shall not be bound in any way by any statement or action on the part of any individual Board member or employee of the District except when such statement or action is in pursuance of special instructions by the Board or in compliance with Board Policy or as authorized by statute.

No member of the Board, including the President, shall have the power to act in the name of the Board outside of Board meetings unless specifically designated to do so by official action of the Board.

In accordance with these principles, the Board, through its operations, shall seek to achieve the following goals:

1. To function in a non-partisan, broadly representative manner and to emphasize that every Board member should represent open mindedly the entire District;
2. To concentrate the Board's collective effort on its policy making and planning responsibilities, and to formulate Board policies that best serve the educational interests of each student;
3. To provide the Superintendent with sufficient and adequate guidelines for implementing Board policies;
4. To maintain effective communication with the school community, the staff, and students.

The Board shall comply with State law and consist of seven (7) members.

Inquiries regarding Board candidacy shall be directed to the Superintendent's office.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
SOUTH LYON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

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Special Elections

A special election may be called by the Board as provided under Michigan election law (M.C.L.A. 168.301 to 168.315)

Approved:

LEGAL REF.: MCL 168.677(3); 380.1066; 380.1361(1).

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