

161 BOARD MEMBER AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

It is understood that Board members have authority only when acting as a Board legally in session. No Board member shall individually speak for or in the name of the total Board. The Board shall not be bound in any way by any action or statement on the part of any individual Board member except when such statement or action is in pursuance of specific instructions from the Board.

No Board member, by virtue of his/her office, shall exercise any administrative responsibility with respect to the schools or as an individual command the services of any school employee.

Members of the Board, individually or collectively, recognize and welcome their responsibilities for listening to comments and suggestions from the residents of the school district.

Board members individually will refer compliments, suggestions, and constructive criticism about operational matters directly to the superintendent for appropriate consideration and action. Comments affecting policy will be routed through regular channels to the board meeting agenda for consideration by the board as a whole.

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