

**BOARD BYLAWS****SUBJECT: Board Representatives**

The Governing Board recognizes that effective performance of its community leadership responsibilities may require its participation in district or community committees on matters of concern to the district and its students. As needed, the Board may appoint any of its members to serve as its representatives on district committees or on committees of other public agencies or organizations of which the Board or district is a member or to which the Board is invited to participate. Due to open meeting law requirements, a majority of the Board shall not be appointed to serve on the same committee.

(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)  
(cf. 1700 - Relations Between Private Industry and the Schools)  
(cf. 9000 - Role of the Board)  
(cf. 9130 - Board Committees)  
(cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest)  
(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

When making such appointments, the Board shall clearly specify on a case-by-case basis what authority and responsibilities of the representatives are involved including, but not limited to, reporting back to the Board regarding committee activities and/or actions. Board representatives shall not grant district support or endorsement for any activity or exercise the authority of the Board without prior Board approval.

(cf. 9005 - Governance Standards)  
(cf. 9200 - Limits of Board Member Authority)

If a committee discusses a topic on which the Board has taken a position, the Board member shall express the position of the Board as a representative of the Board. When contributing his/her own ideas or opinions on other topics, the representative shall clearly indicate that he/she is speaking as an individual, not on behalf of the Board.

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)  
(cf. 9010 - Public Statements)

**Board Representative to Elect Members of County Committee on School District Organization**

At its annual organizational meeting, the Board shall designate one Board member as its representative to elect members to the county committee on school district organization. (Education Code 35023)

The Board may provide the representative with nominees to this committee.

A Board member is eligible to serve as a member of the County Committee on the School District Organization.

(cf. 9100 - Organization)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

4000-4014 County committees on school district organization

35020-35046 School district officers and agents (power of governing board to employ or appoint)

35160 Authority of governing boards

GOVERNMENT CODE

54952.2 Meetings

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

California Department of Education District Organization Handbook, 2010