Duties of Individual Trustees

The authority of individual trustees is limited to participating in actions taken by the Board as a whole when legally in session. Individual members of the Board have no power separate from the Board as a whole. Trustees shall not assume responsibilities of administrators or other staff members. No Board member may, by virtue of his or her office, command the services of any school employee. The Board or staff shall not be bound by an action taken or statement made by an individual Trustee except when such statement or action is pursuant to specific instructions and official action taken by the Board.

Each Trustee shall review the agenda and any study materials distributed prior to the meeting and be prepared to participate in the discussion and decision-making for each agenda item.

Each member is obligated to attend both regular and special board meetings. Whenever possible, each Trustee shall give advance notice to the Chair or Superintendent of the Trustee’s inability to attend a Board meeting. A majority of the Board may excuse a Trustee’s absence from a meeting if requested to do so.

Cross Reference: 1140 Vacancies

I.C. § 33-507 Limitation upon authority of trustees

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