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The Board of Education shall elect a President, Vice President, Clerk, and Treasurer from among its members to serve as officers of the Board.

<u>Election and Term of Office</u>. Board officers shall be elected by the Board annually at an organizational meeting of the Board that is held on or within 30 days after the 4th Monday in April.

Secret ballots may be used to conduct the voting for the election of Board officers. Unless the Board proceeds in a different order of selection (pursuant to a specific motion or without any objection being raised by an individual Board member), the officers will normally be elected in the following order: President, Vice President, Clerk, and Treasurer. Voting for any of the officers shall continue, at the same meeting or at a timely subsequent meeting, until a successor to the current officer is elected by a majority vote.

A Board member elected as an officer is deemed to have accepted the appointment and the duties of the position unless, immediately after the result of the Board's vote to elect such person is known, the person verbally states at the meeting that they refuses to serve in the capacity of such officer. Such an immediate refusal to serve voids the election of such person as an officer, and the Board shall continue to vote to attempt to fill the officer position. Provided that the officer remains a member of the Board, and unless the Board expressly specifies otherwise in the process of electing its officers, the regular term of a Board officer normally lasts from the date of his/her election until the date that the Board elects a successor.

<u>Vacancies in Board Officer Positions</u>. In the event of a vacancy in a Board officer position, the Board may fill the vacancy by majority vote, and the person selected shall normally serve in the position until the subsequent election of a successor at an annual organizational meeting, as outlined above. When a vacancy in a Board officer position arises because the former officer is no longer a Board member, the Board fills the vacancy in the officer position independently of filling any vacancy on the Board itself.

<u>Temporary Disability or Absence</u>. The Vice President shall automatically carry out the duties and responsibilities of the President in the event of the President's temporary absence or temporary inability to serve in his/her capacity as President. If any other Board officer is temporarily unable to discharge the duties of the office due to disability or absence, the Board may make a temporary appointment in a manner consistent with applicable state law.

<u>Removal of Board Officers</u>. The removal of any Board officer from his/her position as an officer prior to the Board's election of a successor via the annual reorganization process shall be handled in accordance with the requirements of state law.

<u>Duties, Powers, and Limited Delegation</u>. Each Board officer is responsible for ensuring the performance of such duties as are assigned to the position by state law. Each officer shall also be responsible for the performance of any duties, and may exercise such discretionary powers, as the Board assigns to the officer.

To the extent consistent with applicable law, the Board authorizes the Board officers to delegate the actual performance of delegable duties to one or more District employees. The individual officer shall coordinate all such delegation of the performance of specific actions through the

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Superintendent. In the event the officer and the Superintendent are unable to resolve to their mutual satisfaction any concerns about such delegated actions, the officer or the Superintendent shall arrange for the Board to consider and attempt to resolve the concerns. Board officers should be aware that the delegation of the performance of a legal duty does not transfer all legal responsibility and liability to the delegae.

Legal Reference

Wisconsin Statutes

Section 17.13 [removal of officers]

<u>Section 19.88(2)</u> [election of officers by secret ballot]

<u>Section 120.05</u> [election of board officers in common and union high school districts;

temporary absence or disability of an officer]

Section 120.06 [partial identification of clerk duties related to school board elections]

Section 120.15 [partial list of board president duties]
Section 120.16 [partial list of board treasurer duties]
Section 120.17 [partial list of board clerk duties]

Section 990.001(9) [acts by agents]

Cross References:

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