BB 9220 SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

Note: Pursuant to AS 29.20.300, the assembly serves as the school board for third class boroughs. Pursuant to AS 14.12.110, where the public school population is less than 500 the voters may provide by referendum that the borough assembly serve as the school board.

Unless the term of office is modified by ordinance under AS 29.20.300, School Board members shall be elected for a three-year term in accordance with procedures established by ordinance for municipal elections or by state regulations for regional educational attendance areas.

Note: Pursuant to AS 14.14.140, a Board member may not be employed by the school district, except that under AS 14.08.041 a member of a REAA regional school board may be employed as a substitute teacher under emergency circumstances of a time-limited duration.

Any person eligible to be a voter in the district and who has not been convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude (unless the person has been unconditionally discharged for the felony and at least 10 years have passed since the date of unconditional discharge) is eligible for Board membership. In this section, "unconditionally discharged" has the meaning given in AS 12.73.090.

A district employee may seek election to the Board but must resign his/her position with the District if elected, except for employment as a substitute teacher under AS 14.08.041.

A Board member should resign from the Board before seeking to secure district employment. In no event shall a final decision for hire be made prior to receiving the Board member's resignation.

~~However, a district employee elected to the Board must resign his/her position with the District in order to qualify for Board membership.~~

(cf. 9210 – Qualifications)

(cf. 9250 - Remuneration, Reimbursement and other Benefits)

(cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest)

Note: The following options should be revised or deleted as appropriate in light of applicable municipal ordinances or state regulations. AS 29.26.060 requires runoff elections for school boards unless otherwise provided by municipal ordinance. AS 14.08.071 authorizes regional school boards, by resolution, to request of the Lieutenant Governor that runoff elections not be held.

Whenever it is impossible to determine which of two or more candidates has been elected to the Board, a runoff election shall be held in accordance with law.

(cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest)

Legal Reference:

ALASKA STATUTES

14.08.041 Regional school boards

14.08.051 School board sections

14.08.061 Term of office

14.08.071 Elections

14.08.081 Recall

14.12.050 School board terms

14.12.080 Qualification of members

14.12.110 Single body as assembly and school board

14.14.140 Restrictions on employment

29.20.300 School boards

29.26.060 Runoff elections

39.50.020 Report of financial and business interests

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