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2406 Board Officers' Duties

To ensure proper District oversight, a Board officer must fulfill the requirements of the respective office. The following Board officer duties may be modified or removed, in whole or in part, by Board action.

A. President

1. Preside over all Board meetings and act as a decision-maker on procedural issues.

2. Coordinate with the Superintendent or designee and trustees to prepare Board meeting agendas.

3. Serve as the Board's spokesperson unless another person is designated by the Board.

4. Sign contracts, correspondence, and other documents on behalf of the District as authorized by the Board or required by law.

5. Accept complaints and coordinate investigations into allegations of misconduct against other Board members or the Superintendent, including placing the Superintendent on non-disciplinary, paid administrative leave during the pendency of an investigation.

6. Contact legal counsel on the Board's behalf or authorize individual Board members to contact legal counsel.

7. Perform other duties as prescribed by law, Policy, or Board action.

B. Vice President

1. In the President's absence, or in the event that the President is precluded from performing the President's duties due to illness or other reason, the Vice President is authorized to preside over Board meetings and perform the President's duties to the extent allowed by law. In the alternative, the Board may appoint a Board member to serve as acting President, and that acting President will be authorized to preside over Board meetings and perform the President's duties to the extent allowed by law.

2. Perform other duties as prescribed by law, Policy, or Board action.

C. Secretary

1. Ensure that an accurate record of Board meetings is maintained and published in compliance with law.

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2. Sign Board meeting minutes, orders, resolutions, and records memorializing Board proceedings.

3. Draw and sign orders upon the Treasurer for money to be disbursed by the Board.

4. Perform other duties as prescribed by law, Policy, or Board action.

5. In the Secretary's absence, or in the event that the Secretary is precluded from performing the Secretary's duty to sign Board meeting minutes due to illness or other reason, the President must appoint a temporary Secretary, who will be authorized to sign approved Board meeting minutes. For all other Secretary duties, in the Secretary's absence, the Vice President is authorized to perform the Secretary's duties to the extent allowed by law. In the alternative, the Board may appoint a Board member to serve as acting Secretary, and that acting Secretary will be authorized to perform the Secretary's duties to the extent allowed by law.

6. The Secretary may delegate Secretary duties to an assistant to the Secretary to the extent allowed by law.

D. Treasurer

1. Serve as the custodian and maintain accounting for District monies, credits, and property.

2. Sign checks and other Board-authorized documents.

3. Perform other duties as prescribed by law, Policy, or Board action.

4. In the Treasurer's absence, or in the event that the Treasurer is precluded from performing the Treasurer's duties due to illness or other reason, the Vice President is authorized to perform the Treasurer's duties to the extent allowed by law. In the alternative, the Board may appoint a Board member to serve as acting Treasurer, and that acting Treasurer will be authorized to perform the Treasurer's duties to the extent allowed by law.

5. In the absence of both the President and the Vice President, or when both the President and Vice President are precluded from performing their respective duties due to illness or other reason, the Treasurer is authorized to preside over Board meetings and perform the President's and the Vice President's respective duties to the extent allowed by law. In the alternative, the Board may appoint a Board member to serve as acting President, and that acting President will be authorized to perform the President's duties to the extent allowed by law. The Board may also appoint a Board member to serve as acting Vice President, and that acting Vice President will be authorized to perform the Vice President's duties to the extent allowed by law.

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6. The Treasurer may delegate Treasurer duties to the person acting as the District's business official or to an assistant to Treasurer, to the extent allowed by law.

E. Succession

1. Board office holders will promptly transfer authority to their respective successor in office, including access to District accounts, investments, files, and public records.

2. Board office holders will promptly deliver District property, including logs, ledgers, money, reports, files, books, equipment, and public records, to the Board officer's respective successor in office.

3. The transfer of District property will promptly occur at a location and time agreed upon by the Board officer and the Board officer's successor in office or at a location and time otherwise determined by the Board.

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