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## **299 STUDENT REPRESENTATION ON SCHOOL BOARD**

### **I. PURPOSE**

The school board recognizes its responsibility to develop educational policies that reflect the concerns of its constituency and the interests of students. A student representative on the school board provides a mechanism whereby the views, needs, and recommendations of students can be carefully considered in the development of policies and programs. Student representation on the school board is authorized in accordance with this policy.

### **II. NOMINATION AND SELECTION**

One high school representative is selected to represent Mahtomedi students on the school board in accordance with a written procedure under supervision of the high school principal. Regular attendance, preparation, active participation, and sincere interest are priority considerations for the representative selected for this position.

### **III. TERM**

The student representative's term begins in September and continues through the end of the school year. The student is not limited to a single term.

### **IV. BOARD PARTICIPATION**

- A. The student representative participates in all regularly scheduled business meetings and may attend all study sessions, special meetings, and committee meetings that he or she feels are of relevance to his or her position, unless otherwise requested by the superintendent. The student representative does not participate in closed sessions of the school board.
- B. The student representative receives an agenda and appropriate informational materials similar to what the school board receives for regularly scheduled meetings, to the extent such materials would be available to the public under Minnesota law. During his or her term, the representative is automatically filed as a recipient of notices of special meetings (in accordance with Mahtomedi School Board Policy 205, Section IV.2.). The superintendent shall withhold materials that constitute private or confidential data or are sensitive in nature.

- C. The student representative on the school board is advisory. The representative does not have the right to vote, make, or second a motion, but does have all other rights in accordance with school board policy, law, and parliamentary procedure.
- D. The student representative provides a monthly report on issues of importance.

***Legal References:*** Minn. Stat. § 123B.09 (School Board Powers)