

School Board Member Oath of Office

I, _____ do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of member of the Board of Education of Pana Community Unit School District # 8, in accordance with the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and the laws of the State of Illinois, to the best of my ability.

I further swear (or affirm) that:

I shall respect taxpayer interests by serving as a faithful protector of the school district's assets;

I shall encourage and respect the free expression of opinion by my fellow board members and others who seek a hearing before the board, while respecting the privacy of students and employees;

I shall recognize that a board member has no legal authority as an individual and that decisions can be made only by a majority vote at a public board meeting; and I shall abide by majority decisions of the board, while retaining the right to seek changes in such decisions through ethical and constructive channels.