

## POLICY 1050

### Qualifications & Appointment Procedures for Student Board Member

- A. The Board of Education annually appoints a non-voting student board member to serve for one (1) year (July 1 through June 30). The primary function of the student board member is to assist the Board in understanding students' perspectives on matters being considered by the Board. Although appointed from one of the district high schools, the student's function on the Board is to provide a general youth perspective, not represent the specific school or student body from which chosen.
- B. The following procedures will be used in selection of student board members:
  - 1. Bear River High School was selected by lottery as the high school from which the first student board member was appointed in the 1986-87 school year. Each succeeding year, the appointment will alternate between Bear River High and Box Elder High.
  - 2. Candidates for appointment to the Board must submit an application and meet eligibility requirements for participation in interscholastic activities. Student must be in good standing with the school and remain in good standing as long as the student is on the School Board as a student board member.
  - 3. Applications from qualified seniors demonstrating interest in appointment to the Board will be accepted by the Student Council of the high school from which the appointment is to be made.
  - 4. The Student Council will appoint a committee of five (5) students who will meet with the principal to review the qualifications of candidates and responsibilities of the student board member. The committee will then make recommendations to the building principal or someone who will also be an active participant in student government and serve on the Board. The building principal will then recommend one senior for appointment to the Board. The candidate must also be approved by the superintendent. Final appointment will be made by the Board of Education.
  - 5. The authority and responsibility of the student board member shall be determined by Box Elder District Board Policy and [Utah Code § 20A-14-206](#).
  - 6. The student board member will, as provided by law, have the right to participate in all Regular Board meetings, except executive or closed sessions. No substitute will be permitted in the event the student board member is absent. Student board

members may be invited to participate in other School Board activities such as the annual USBA Convention.

7. Since the primary function of the student board member is to assist the Board in understanding students' perspectives on matters being considered by the Board, the student board member must be provided opportunities to interact with the school's student council on a regular basis.
8. Should it become necessary to replace a student board member during a term of office, the same nomination and appointment procedure used for the original appointment will be followed.
9. The student board member will be paid a mileage allowance for attendance at regular Board meetings only, unless additional travel is approved in advance by the Board. Mileage payment will be at the rate currently in effect for regular Board members.
10. A student board member may be removed for cause by a two-thirds vote of the elected Board members.
11. A student member is not liable for any acts of the governing board.