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## MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** SUPERINTENDENT  
**FROM:** ROGER L. EDDY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
**SUBJECT:** IASB 2013-2014 DUES  
**DATE:** JUNE 2013

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THANK YOU for committing to active membership in the Illinois Association of School Boards for 2013-2014. We've received payment of your dues, and a Certificate of Membership is enclosed.

Please let each of your board members know how grateful IASB staff is to be working with them and you in the coming year for the betterment of Illinois public schools. We all recognize the effectiveness of statewide cooperation in solving problems education faces today, the power of joint action in presenting our case to the legislature and the importance of maintaining high standards in school governance.

IASB staff is developing new programs and procedures to help you perform your duties as school officials as smoothly and effectively as possible. Be assured that every staff member stands ready to assist you and your board in any way he or she can.

If you have questions about what your Association offers or how the staff might serve you, visit IASB's web site at [www.iasb.com](http://www.iasb.com). In addition to a review of programs and activities, you will find information about services available directly over the Internet.

Again, thank you for joining in another year of progress toward excellence in school governance and improvement in our state's ability to educate tomorrow's citizens.

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certifies that

**Geneva CUSD 304**

is an

**ACTIVE MEMBER**

and is entitled to all the  
rights, benefits, and  
services attached thereto.

  
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President

  
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Executive Director

# Code of Conduct

## for members of school boards

As a member of my local school board, I will do my utmost to represent the public interest in education by adhering to the following standards and principles:

1. I will represent all school district constituents honestly and equally and refuse to surrender my responsibilities to special interest or partisan political groups.
2. I will avoid any conflict of interest or the appearance of impropriety which could result from my position, and will not use my board membership for personal gain or publicity.
3. I will 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 board meeting.
4. I will take no private action that might compromise the board or administration and will respect the confidentiality of privileged information.
5. I will abide by majority decisions of the board, while retaining the right to seek changes in such decisions through ethical and constructive channels.
6. I will encourage and respect the free expression of opinion by my fellow board members and will participate in board discussions in an open, honest and respectful manner, honoring differences of opinion or perspective.
7. I will prepare for, attend and actively participate in school board meetings.
8. I will be sufficiently informed about and prepared to act on the specific issues before the board, and remain reasonably knowledgeable about local, state, national, and global education issues.
9. I will respectfully listen to those who communicate with the board, seeking to understand their views, while recognizing my responsibility to represent the interests of the entire community.
10. I will strive for a positive working relationship with the superintendent, respecting the superintendent's authority to advise the board, implement board policy, and administer the district.
11. I will model continuous learning and work to ensure good governance by taking advantage of board member development opportunities, such as those sponsored by my state and national school board associations, and encourage my fellow board members to do the same.
12. I will strive to keep my board focused on its primary work of clarifying the district purpose, direction and goals, and monitoring district performance.