DIRECTOR ORIENTATION

The Board will help newly-elected or appointed directors to understand the policies and procedures of the Board. To facilitate this process, new Directors will be provided with:

WSSDA publications (e.g., Evaluation of School Personnel, Parliamentary Procedure)

Goals for the school district and strategic plan, if developed

Board policies and administrative procedures

Student rights, responsibilities and conduct

District staff handbook

Student and staff handbooks from individual schools

Collective bargaining agreements

School budget

Financial status reports (most recent copies)

Board minutes (past year)

Achievement test results

Staff member job descriptions

The superintendent will assist each new Director in the review of these materials and will review the role and function of the various administrators employed by the District. The superintendent will also clarify, as per District policy, how to (1) arrange for visits of school or administrative offices, (2) request information regarding school operations, (3) respond to a complaint concerning staff or program, and (4) handle confidential information.

Directors are expected to attend meetings, workshops, and conferences designed to increase their knowledge and competencies. Development of the Board is similarly important as development of administrative staff. Funds for participation at such meetings will be budgeted for on an annual basis. Such expenditures shall be made within the fiscal constraints of the District.

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