

**BOARD REPRESENTATIVES**

The Governing Board may appoint any of its members to serve as its representatives on district committees or advisory committees of other public agencies or organizations. Due to open meeting law requirements, a majority of the Board shall not be appointed to serve on the same committee.

(cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest)  
(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

When making such appointments, the Board shall clearly specify, on a case-by-case basis, what authority and responsibilities are involved. Board representatives shall not grant district support or endorsement for any activity without prior Board approval.

If a committee discusses a topic on which the Board has taken a position, the Board member may express that position as a representative of the Board. When contributing individual ideas or opinions on other topics, he/she shall make it clear that he/she is speaking as an individual, not on behalf of the Board.

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)  
(cf. 9010 - Public Statements)  
(cf. 9130 - Board Committees)

**Labor Relations Negotiators**

The Governing Board will designate a chief negotiator to represent it in negotiations with employee organizations. The Board itself will not negotiate with any employee organization directly. Expert consultants in the field of negotiations may be contracted to assist in the process of negotiations.

Although the negotiator will represent the Board in negotiations, the negotiator shall be responsible to the Superintendent or designee, who shall evaluate the performance of the negotiators.

The Board's role in the negotiation process will be:

- To assess, to the best of its ability, the needs of its employees.
- To set priorities for the total educational program in the best interests of students, the district and public in general.
- To translate educational priorities and employee needs into a realistic budget.
- To maintain the Board's position of authority and control as provided by law.

**BOARD REPRESENTATIVES (continued)**

**County Committee on School District Organization**

The Board shall, at its annual organizational meeting, designate one Board member as its representative to elect members to the County Committee on School District Organization. (Education Code 4007)

The Board shall provide the representative with nominees to the County Committee on School District Organization.

Board members may be nominated to serve as a member of the county committee. (Education Code 4007)

(cf. 9100 - Organization)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

4000 et seq. County committees on school district organization

35020-35046 School district officers and agents (power of governing board to employ or appoint)

GOVERNMENT CODE

3540-3549.3 Public educational employer - employee relations

54956.8 Closed session with negotiator regarding real property

68 Ops. Attorney General (1985) - Incompatibility of Office, Board Members, County Committees