



Policy 1.20 Board Authority and Role

The Board of Education's authority is established within the *School Act* and its regulations. The authorities and responsibilities of the Board rest only with the legally constituted Board, and not with committees of trustees or individual trustees.

The Board has, as its primary role, the governance of the district and is responsible for the improvement of student achievement in the school district. The Board fulfills this role, in part, through the development of a strategic plan that establishes the direction for the district and aligns the work of staff and directs district resources.

The Board exercises its governance responsibilities through the development of bylaws and policies which provide a framework within which the Superintendent can discharge their duties.

The Board has a foundational responsibility to protect the interests, image and integrity of the district; to ensure its financial viability and to act in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations and policies.

The Board delegates responsibility for administration of its policies and the day-to-day operations of the District to the Superintendent as Chief Executive Officer.