

Agenda Item - Reorganization of Board of Trustees

Background: *Following the trustee election, school districts routinely select the officers for the coming year at the first regular meeting following the election as required by Board Policy.*

Board policy (BDAA – Legal) states: *“At the first meeting after each election and qualification of Board members, the members of the Board shall organize by selecting: (1) A president, who shall be a member of the Board, (2) A secretary, who may or may not be a member of the Board, and (3) Such other officers and committees as the Board may deem necessary. In addition to the required post-election organization, the Board may also organize at other times.”*

Board policy (BDAA – Local) states: *“The Board shall elect a President, a Vice President, and a Secretary who shall be members of the Board. The Board may assign a District employee to provide clerical assistance to the Board. Officers shall be elected by majority vote of the members present and voting.”*

A vacancy among officers of the Board shall be filled by majority action of the Board.

Board officers shall serve for a term of one year or until a successor is elected. Officers may succeed themselves in office. Each officer shall perform any legal duties of the office and other duties as required by action of the Board.

Recommendation: The superintendent does not make recommendations as this is a sole function of the Board of Trustees.

Sample Procedure:

Presiding officer calls for nominations for president. Once nominations are closed, votes are cast in the order the nominations were received. President is selected and immediately assumes his or her role as President. President then calls for nominations for Vice-President followed by nominations for Secretary.

Nominations are received and voted on according to Robert’s Rule of Order.