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# **ORGANIZATION**

#### **Annual Organizational Meeting**

The Board of Trustees shall hold an annual organizational meeting within the time limits prescribed by law. [Education Code 35143]

At this meeting the Board shall:

- 1. Elect a president, clerk and vice president from its members
- 2. Appoint the Superintendent as secretary to the Board
- 3. Authorize signatures
- 4. Develop a schedule of regular meetings for the year
- 5. Develop a Board calendar for the year
- 6. Appoint Board representatives to designated committees
- 7. Re-adopt Board policies and bylaws
- (cf. 9140 Board Representatives)
- (cf. 9320 Meetings and Notices)

No Board member shall serve more than 2 consecutive year(s) in the same office.

#### **Election of Officers**

The Board of Trustees shall hold an annual organizational meeting. In a year in which a regular election for Board members is conducted the meeting shall be held on a day within a 15-day period that commences with the date upon which a governing board member elected at that election takes office to elect a President, a Vice-President, and a Clerk. Organizational meetings in years in which no such regular election is conducted shall be held during the same 15-day period on the calendar. (Ed. Code 35143)

The retiring President of the Board, if still a member, shall call the meeting to order and conduct the election for officers. If the President is not a member, the Vice-President shall preside; if the Vice-President is not a member, the Clerk shall preside. In case the President, Vice-President, and the Clerk are not on the Board, the members of the Board shall select a temporary chairperson to conduct the election.

The Board of Trustees wants to provide equitable opportunities for Trustees to serve in a leadership capacity. Thus, the Board will implement a rotation of its officers as it means for electing officers on an annual basis. The rotation of officers is outlined below:

Vice – President	moves up to	President
Clerk	moves up to	Vice-President
Trustee (Order Below)	moves up to	Clerk

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Order of Trustees: (Each year moves up on position and the outgoing president moves to the last position) Beginning in 2019, the officer rotation will result as follows:

Trustee Area 6 – President

Trustee Area 3 – Vice President

Trustee Area 7 – Clerk

Trustee Area 1

Trustee Area 5

Trustee Area 4

Trustee Area 2

Although a rotation will be utilized, the Board of Trustees will still take action to elect its Leadership positions in open session.

The Board of Trustees acknowledges the complexity and legality of running effective meeting. Therefore, the Board of Trustees will require that any Trustee scheduled to become President must have completed the Masters in Governance Sequence of Courses, the CSBA President's workshop and be in positive financial standing with the District. Failure of the Trustee to meet these requirements will result in the rotation moving ahead and the Trustee dropping back to the end of the rotation.

Also, a Trustee may decline a position for which would move that Trustee to the end of the rotation. Additionally, a Trustee may pass one time in the rotation which would result in the Trustee maintaining their position for one year with all other positions moving forward one step.

The Board of Trustees acknowledges that this process is to provide fairness and equity in the process for elective Board leadership positions. Thus, the Board acknowledges the need to keep the rotation in place for no less than one full cycle of seven years beginning in 2019.

### Legal Reference:

#### **EDUCATION CODE**

35143 Annual organizational meeting date, and notice

35145 Public meetings

### GOVERNMENT CODE

54953 Meetings to be open and public; attendance

68 Ops. Cal. Atty. Gen. 65 (1985)

59 Ops. Cal. Atty. Gen. 619, 621-622 (1976)

Bylaw replaces former bylaw 9120

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