

School Board Powers and Duties

The Board of Education is a publicly elected group of five trustees, which derives its authority from the *School Act*.

The Board of Education will maintain close contact with its educational and electoral community, keep informed of provincial and federal educational policies and be attentive to representation and recommendations from employee groups and delegations of concerned citizens.

The Board of Education will concern itself primarily with broad questions of policy rather than with administrative details.

Corporate Board

The Board of Education of School District No. 75 (Mission) is composed of five trustees elected for a three year term. Four trustees are elected from the District of Mission electoral area and one trustee is elected from the Fraser Valley Regional District.

Trustees elected or appointed in accordance with the *School Act* form a corporation under the name “Board of Education, School District No. 75 (Mission).”

The corporate board and not individual trustees have the rights, powers, duties and liabilities as prescribed in the *School Act*.

Board of Education Responsibilities

- Carry out legislated duties as set forth in the *School Act*.
- Make decisions as a corporate body.
- Set direction (mission, beliefs and goals) for the school district which reflects community values.
- Develop policy and bylaws which support its mission, beliefs and goals and which provide a framework within which the superintendent of schools can discharge his/her duties.
- Establish effective open communication links with its education partners and community at large.

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