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BP 2010 Board Membership

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1. Authority of the Board

- a. The Board of Trustees (hereinafter referred to as the Board) derives its authority from the Education Code of the State of California. The Board is subject to the provisions of the Constitution of the State of California, the Education Code, the California Administrative Code, its own Rules and Regulations, and the expressed will of the electorate.
- b. Board members have authority only when acting as a Board legally in session. The Board shall not be bound by any statement or action of any individual Board member or employee, except when such statement or action is in pursuance of specific instructions by the Board. No member of the Board shall speak for the Board unless specifically authorized to do so.

2. Membership of the Board

The Board shall consist of five members elected by the qualified voters of the District or appointed by the Board to a vacancy that occurs between elections. Members shall be elected by trustee area as defined in BP 2100 Board Elections.

- a. Any person who meets the criteria contained in law is eligible to be elected or appointed a member of the Board.
- b. An employee of the District may not be sworn into office as an elected or appointed member of the Board unless the member resigns as an employee.
- c. No member of the Board shall, during the term for which the member - is elected, hold an incompatible office.
- d. No member of the Board shall, during the term for which the member was elected, be eligible to serve on the governing board of a high school district whose boundaries are coterminous with those of the community college district. A member of the Board forfeits the member's seat upon accession by election or appointment to a city council, or to a governing board of a school district, special district, or any political subdivision of the state of California, or to a federal, state or county elected office

Also see BP/AP 2015 Student Trustee, BP/AP 2100 Board Elections, and BP/AP 2105 Election of Student Trustee.

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