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Membership and Quorum

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I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish who qualifies as a director of the school board, and what constitutes a quorum.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- A. The membership of the Board consists of the duly elected Directors, and any duly appointed persons who replace a duly elected Director who has left the Board through resignation, death, relocation or any other cause.
- B. The Superintendent is an ex officio member of the Board.
- C. A majority of voting members constitutes a quorum. The act of the majority of a quorum is the act of the Board.
- D. Once quorum has been established it remains in force and effect until the meeting is properly adjourned.
- E. The Board may appoint a student representative to the Board of Directors from tenth or eleventh grade currently enrolled Minneapolis Public School students from the Student City-Wide Government. Annual appointments shall be made in January at the annual meeting.
 1. The student representative shall not be a voting member of the board, but may be recognized in board discussions in the same manner as directors.
 2. The student representative shall not be present at board executive sessions.
 3. The student representative shall not be included for the purposes of determining quorum.
 4. The Board may provide a stipend or other financial benefit to the student representative from district funds.

IV. DEFINITIONS

- A. “ex officio member” means a member who sits due to the position the person holds. An ex officio member does not vote on resolutions or motions.
- B. “quorum” means that number of Directors necessary to hold a legal meeting of the board.

Legal References:

Minn. Stat. §123B.02 (General Powers of Independent School Districts)

Minn. Stat. §123B.09 (Boards of Independent School Districts)



Minn. Stat. §123B.85 (Definitions)

Minn. Stat. §128D.01 (Special Independent District: Minneapolis)

Minn. Stat. §128D.04 (District Like Independent District; Exception)

Cross References:

MPS Policy 8116 (Vacancies on the Board)

MPS Policy 8230 (Parliamentary Procedure)