

Multnomah Education Service District

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Orientation of New Board Members

A new elected or appointed member is to be given the Board's and staff's fullest measure of courtesy and cooperation. Board and staff shall make every effort to assist the new member to become fully informed about the Board's functions, policies, procedures and issues. In the interim between election and assuming office, the new Board member(s) shall be assisted in the following ways:

1. Shall be given materials on the role of a school Board member;
2. Shall be invited to attend Board meetings to observe the operation of the Board but will not be a voting member;
3. Shall be given a copy of Board policies, Board priorities, long range plans and MESD-adopted budget;
4. The Superintendent shall supply material pertinent to meetings and explain its content;
5. Shall be invited to meet with the Superintendent and other administrative personnel, by arrangement with the Superintendent, to discuss services they perform for MESD;
6. Shall be encouraged to attend the Summer Board Conference sponsored by the Oregon School Boards Association and the Oregon Education Service District annual meeting;
7. Shall receive all reports and communications normally sent to Board members.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 334.125\(7\)](#)

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[OAR 581-024-0208](#)

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MESD Policy Cross Reference(s):

AA - MESD Purpose and Goals
AB - Mission, Vision, Values
AD - Educational Philosophy
BBA - Board Powers and Duties
BBAA - Individual Board Member's Authority and Responsibilities
BBF - Board Member Standards and Conduct
BBFA - Board Member Ethics and Conflict of Interest
BCD - Board-Superintendent Relationship
BD/BDA - Board Meetings/Regular Board Meetings
BDB - Special and Emergency Board Meetings
BDC - Executive Sessions
BDD - Board Meeting Procedures
BDDDB/BDDC - Board Meeting Agenda
BHB - Board Member Development
BHBA - Board Member Travel
BHD - Board Member Compensation and Expense Reimbursement
CC - Administrative Organization