

Oakland School District 1

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Orientation of New Board Members

A new member is to be afforded the Board's and staff's fullest measure of courtesy and cooperation. Board and staff will make every effort to assist the new member to become fully informed about the Board's functions, policies, procedures and priorities. In the interim between appointment and actually assuming office, the new Board member(s) will be assisted in the following ways:

1. The electee will be given materials on the role of a member of the Board;
2. The electee will be invited to attend Board meetings to observe the operation of the Board but will not be a voting member;
3. The electee will be given a copy of Board policies, Board priorities, long-range plans and district-adopted budget;
4. The superintendent will supply material pertinent to meetings and will explain its content;
5. The incoming member will be invited to meet with the superintendent and other administrative personnel, by arrangement with the superintendent, to discuss services they perform for the district;
6. The newly elected or appointed Board member will be encouraged to attend Board development and leadership training opportunities sponsored by professional organizations;
7. New Board members will receive all reports and communications normally sent to Board members;
8. The members of the Board will serve as mentors to newly elected or appointed Board members.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 332.107](#)

Cross Reference(s):

BHB - Board Member Development