

Sheridan School District 48J

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Orientation of New Board Members

The Board and designated staff will make every effort to assist the new member to become fully informed about the Board's functions, policies, procedures and problems. In the interim between appointment and actually assuming office, the new Board member(s) will be assisted in the following ways:

1. The newly-elected Board member will be given materials related to the role of a member of the school Board;
2. The newly-elected or appointed Board member will be invited to attend Board meetings to observe the operations of the Board, until she/he assumes office, but will not be a voting member;
3. The newly-elected or appointed Board member will be given a copy of Board policies, board priorities, any long range plans and the adopted district 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 Board member will be encouraged to attend Board development and leadership opportunities sponsored by professional organizations;
7. New Board members, prior to assuming office, will receive all reports and communications normally sent to Board members with the exception of confidential or executive session materials.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 332.107](#)

Cross Reference(s):

BHB - Board Member Development