## **Cottonwood Joint School District No. 242**

## THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## Membership

The District is governed by a Board of Trustees consisting of five Members. Each Member is to represent a different trustee zone unless a Trustee was appointed at-large to fill a Board vacancy. The Board's powers and duties include the broad authority to adopt and enforce all necessary policies for the management and government of the public schools. Except as otherwise provided by law, Trustees shall hold office for terms of four years until January 1 of the year in which the Trustee's term expires. Terms of Trustees shall be staggered as provided by law.

When a change in the boundaries of a duly elected Trustee's zone causes them to no longer reside in the zone they were elected to serve, the Trustee shall be allowed to remain in office for the remainder of their term. This shall not apply to a Trustee who resides at a different address from the one they resided at when the election took place. In such cases and in cases where the Trustee was appointed to represent a zone they no longer reside within, a vacancy shall be declared as described in Policy 1140.

All Trustees shall participate on an equal basis with other Members in all Board business. Official action by Board Members must occur at a duly called and legally conducted meeting. A meeting of the Board means convening to make a decision or to deliberate toward a decision on any matter.

School Board Members, as individuals, have no authority over school affairs or personnel, except as provided by law or as authorized by the Board.

Cross Reference:	1140	Board Vacancies
Legal Reference:	I.C. § 33-313 I.C. § 33-501 I.C. § 33-504 I.C. § 67-2341	Trustee Zones Board of Trustees Vacancies on Boards of Trustees Open Public Meetings – Definitions

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