

Vacancies

A vacancy shall be declared by the Board of Trustees within 30 days of when any of the following occurs: A Trustee:

1. Dies;
2. Resigns;
3. Removes him or herself from the trustee zone of residence;
4. Is no longer a resident or school district elector of the District;
5. Refuses to serve as Trustee;
6. Fails to attend four consecutive regular meetings of the Board of Trustees without excuse acceptable to the Board;

A Trustee position shall also be vacant when an elected candidate fails to qualify.

A declaration of vacancy shall be made at any regular or special meeting of the Board when any of the above-mentioned conditions are determined to exist. When any Board position is declared vacant because of non-attendance of a Board Member, the non-attending Member will be notified of the declared vacancy by registered mail.

If a Trustee is recalled, the vacancy shall exist upon certification of the special recall election by the board of county commissioners. Board action is not required to declare a vacancy upon the board of county commissioner's certification.

In the case of a Trustee vacancy, the remaining Trustees shall fill the vacancy by appointment. The Board will receive applications from any qualified persons seeking to fill the position after suitable public notice. The Board will consider all applications from qualified persons seeking to fill the position in open session. The Board will appoint one candidate to serve for the balance of the unexpired term of office which was declared vacant. In the event the Board of Trustees is unable to appoint a Trustee from the zone vacated after 90 days from the date the Board declared the vacancy, the Board of Trustees may appoint a person at-large from within the boundaries of the School District to serve as the Trustee from the zone where the vacancy occurred. For Trustees who are recalled, vacancy period begins upon certification of the recall election. Otherwise, after 120 days of the declaration of vacancy, the county commissioners or the home county shall appoint a qualified person to fill such vacancy.

The authority of a Trustee subject to recall is limited from the period of the special recall election until the time of certification by the board of county commissioners, consistent with 1500P.

Cross Reference: 1100 Membership

1120 Taking Office
1240 Duties of Individual Trustees
1500 Board Meetings

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-501 Board of Trustees
I.C. § 33-504 Vacancies on Boards of Trustees
I.C. § 74-206 Executive Sessions When Authorized

Policy History:

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