### **Northshore School District**

# **BOARD POLICY**

No. 1240

# THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## **Duties of Individual Board Members**

The authority of individual board members is limited to participating in actions taken by the board as a whole when legally in session. Board members shall not assume responsibilities of administrators or other staff members. The board or staff shall not be bound in any way by any action taken or statement made by any individual board member, except when such statement or action is pursuant to specific instructions and official action taken by the board.

Each board member shall review the agenda and any study materials distributed prior to the meeting and be prepared to participate in the discussion and decision-making for each agenda item.

Each member is obligated to attend board meetings regularly. Whenever possible, each director shall give advance notice to the president or superintendent of his/her inability to attend a board meeting. A majority of the board may excuse a director's absence from a meeting if requested to do so. The board shall declare a board member's position vacant after four consecutive, unexcused absences from regular board meetings.

#### Cross References:

WSSDA Policy No. 1220, Board officers and duties of board members Policy No. 1450, Absence of a board member

# Legal References:

RCW28A.343.390 Quorum - Failure to attend meetings RCW 28A.330.100 Additional powers of board

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