POLICY 1002
OPERATIONS

I. Goals for the Board

The Board of Education shall adopt a six-year improvement plan for the district, in compliance with Oklahoma Statutes (70 O.S. §5-117 A3). The plan will include goals and expectations that are annually evaluated and updated as necessary.

II. Government Relations

The Board of Education will establish legislative goals to be achieved each year. The administration is directed to work for and on behalf of the Board of Education in the achievement of these goals.

III. Attendance at Conferences, Meetings, and Seminars

At the time a school district elector files a notification and declaration of candidacy for the office of Board of Education membership, the elector shall agree and pledge in writing that, upon election or appointment as a member of the Board, the member will attend a workshop to be held by the State Department of Education in cooperation with the Oklahoma State School Boards Association for study and instruction of board of education members. This shall not apply to any elector who has had prior experience of one (1) year or more immediately preceding the date of the school district election as a member of the Board.

Each new Board member is required to within fifteen (15) months following his/her election to complete twelve (12) hours of instruction on education issues as specified in state statute. Incumbent board members must complete six (6) hours of instruction on education issues, within fifteen (15) months of reelection (70 O.S. §5-110).

Upon completion of the workshop, a certificate of completion shall be included in the public records of the Board’s minutes.

If a new member has not satisfied the above workshop requirements within fifteen (15) months of his/her election, the Board shall declare the seat vacant and fill the vacancy according to law.

Any member of the Board who attends and successfully completes this workshop shall be reimbursed by the school district for expenses incurred not to exceed compensation in the sum of Twenty-Five Dollars ($25) per day and actual expenses for lodging, meals, registration fees and transportation to and from the place of the workshops, as provided in the State Travel Reimbursement Act.” (Reference: 70 O.S. §5-110.)

Board members are encouraged to attend conferences, meetings and seminars each year as a means of promoting professional growth.