FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Bylaws LIMITS OF COUNTY BOARD MEMBER AUTHORITY

The County Board is the unit of authority for matters within its jurisdiction. Unless approved by the County Board, individual County Board members shall not exercise any authority with respect to any matter within the County Board's jurisdiction. Apart from his/her normal function as a member of the County Board, a County Board member may not commit the County Board to any policy, act, or expenditure without the County Board's approval.

A County Board member is elected to represent the residents of the trustee area that elects him/her. Good boardmanship dictates that the collective County Board acts in the best interest of the community at large.

No individual County Board member, by virtue of holding office, shall exercise any administrative responsibility with respect to the office of the County Superintendent, nor, as an individual, command the services of any employee of the County Superintendent.

Any County Board member approached directly by a person with a complaint should refer the complainant to the County Superintendent or designee so that the problem may receive proper consideration and be handled through the appropriate process.

Individual County Board member requests for use of County Board or County Superintendent equipment, facilities, vehicles, and/or premises shall have the approval of a County Board majority and the County Superintendent.

Adopted: 04/20/1995 (Board Bylaw No. 9010) Amended: 11/15/2018

Legal Reference

Education Code 1040-1042 Duties and responsibilities 35160-35160.2 Powers and duties

<u>Government Code</u> 54950-54962 Ralph M. Brown Act, especially: 54952.1 Member of a legislative body of a local agency 54952.7 Copies of chapter to members of legislative body

Management Resources

<u>CSBA Publications</u> Professional Governance Standards for County Boards, October 2014

<u>California County Boards of Education Publications</u> County Board member Handbook: A Guide to Effective Governance, 2015

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<u>Web Sites</u> CSBA: http://www.csba.org California County Boards of Education: http://www.theccbe.org

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