SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

Fair and open access to the Board member election process for all qualified residents strengthens community confidence in the Board as the representative body charged with governance of District schools. The Board is committed to encouraging candidacies through public relations activities, performing statutory electoral duties, and assisting potential candidates in meeting legal requirements necessary for qualifying for the ballot. While the Board does not regulate the conduct of the campaign itself, both incumbents and challengers are strongly urged to run a positive campaign that focuses on issues of importance to District residents and maintains high ethical standards.

School District elections are non-partisan, governed by the general election laws of the State, and include the election of School Board members, various policy propositions, and advisory questions. Board members are elected at the consolidated election held on the first Tuesday in April in odd-numbered years. If, however, that date conflicts with the celebration of Passover, the consolidated election is postponed to the first Tuesday following the last day of Passover. The canvass of votes is conducted by the election authority within twenty-one (21) days after the election.

The Board's election duties are:

1. The Board, by proper resolution, may place public policy referendum according to Article 28 of the Election Code or advisory questions of public policy according to Section 9-1.5 of the School Code.

2. The Board Secretary serves as the local election official. He/she receives petitions for the submission of a public question to referenda and forwards them to the proper election officer and otherwise provides information to the community concerning District elections.


CROSS REF: 100:40 (Board Qualifications), 100:50 (Board Term of Office), and 100:210 (Organizational Board Meeting)

POLICY

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