

Such Administrative Regulations shall be binding on the employees and the students of this Corporation when issued.

The Superintendent shall be delegated the authority to take necessary action in circumstances not provided for in Board policy, provided that such action shall be reported to the Board at the next meeting following such action.

Judicial

The Board of School Trustees may assume jurisdiction over any dispute or controversy arising within this Corporation and concerning any matter in which authority has been vested in the Board by statute, rule, a contract, or policy of this Board.

MEMBERSHIP

Number

The School Board shall consist of five (5) members.

Election/Appointment

Brown County Schools Board of School Trustees shall be elected in the spring elections. Five (5) members constitute the governing body.

A. Brown County Schools shall be divided into three (3) residence districts.

1. District I
2. District II
3. District III

B. **One** (1) board member shall physically reside in District I during the term of his/her office.

One (1) board member shall physically reside in District II during the term of his/her office.

One (1) board member shall physically reside in District III during the term of his/her office.

Two (2) board members shall physically reside anywhere in the three (3) resident districts of Brown County Schools during the term of his/her with not more than any two from any one district.

C. All board member candidates are to be voted on by all registered voters of the County of Brown County.

In accordance with I.C. 20-26-4-11, no member of the Corporation's professional or support staff is eligible for election to this School Board.

Before August 1st of each year, the School Corporation shall file with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction a listing of the:

- A. names and addresses of members of the School Corporation's Board of School Trustees;
- B. names and addresses of the School Corporation's officers;
- C. expiration dates of the terms of the School Corporation's members and officers.

Should a change occur in Board membership during the term of one or more members of the Board, the School Corporation shall file the change with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction within thirty (30) days after the change occurs. (I.C. 20-23-12-11)

Term

The term of each Board member shall be four (4) years.

Oath

Each newly-elected, Board member shall take an oath of office as well as other oaths which may be required for transactions connected with or related to the educational program of the Corporation.

The copy of the oath shall be deposited in the Brown County circuit court clerk's office of the county containing the greatest percentage of the population of the school corporation.

I.C. 20-26-4-2; I.C. 5-4-1-4

Vacancies

The membership of a Board member shall become vacant immediately upon the occurrence of any one (1) of the following events:

- A. the death of the incumbent, or the incumbent's being found mentally incompetent by the proper court
- B. the incumbent's resignation shall be submitted in writing to the clerk of the circuit court of the county containing the largest percentage of the population of the school corporation (I.C. 5-8-3.5-1)
- C. the incumbent's conviction of a felony
- D. the incumbent's election or appointment being declared void by a competent tribunal
- E. the incumbent's failure to take the oath of office
- F. the incumbent's ceasing to possess the legal qualifications for holding office
- G. the incumbent moving his/her residence out of the Corporation
- H. the incumbent's failure to perform duties (Removal by action of the Circuit Court under provisions of I.C. 5-8-1.)

I.C. 5-8-1-37

I.C. 20-23-4-30, 20-26-4-4(2)

Filling a Board Vacancy

If at any time there shall occur a vacancy on the Board for any reason the remaining members of the Board shall by a majority vote fill such vacancy by appointing a person from within the boundaries of the School Corporation, with the residence and other qualifications provided for a regularly elected or appointed Board member filling such office, to serve for the term or balance of terms respectively. In the event of a tie vote among the remaining members of the board or their failure to act within thirty (30) days after such vacancy occurs, it shall be the duty of the judge of the Brown County Circuit Court to make such appointment. A vacancy in the board shall occur if a member ceases to be a resident of the School Corporation but shall not occur where s/he moves from any district of the school corporation from which s/he was elected or appointed so long as s/he continues to be a resident of the School Corporation.

Orientation

The Board believes that the preparation of each Board member for the performance of Board duties is essential to the effective functioning of the Board. The Board shall encourage each new Board member to understand the functions of the Board, acquire knowledge of matters related to the operation of the Corporation, and learn Board procedures. Accordingly, the Board shall give to each new Board member no later than his/her first regular meeting as a Board member for his/her use and possession during the term on the Board the following items: