Chair's Role

The Chair of the Board ensures the integrity of the Board's processes and normally serves as the Board's official spokesperson. Accordingly, the Chair has the following authority and duties:

- 1. Monitor Board behavior to ensure that it is consistent with its own rules and policies and those legitimately imposed upon it from outside the organization:
 - a. Conduct and monitor Board meeting deliberations to ensure that only Board issues, as defined in Board policy, are discussed.
 - b. Ensure that Board meeting deliberations are fair, open, and thorough, but also efficient, timely, orderly and to the point.
 - c. Chair Board meetings in accordance with law and Robert's Rules of Order.
 - d. Provide a means of collecting monitoring data from all board members, collate and present data to the board for discussion and action.
- 2. Make all interpretive decisions that fall within the topics covered by Board policies on Governance Process and Board/Staff Relationship, except where the Board specifically delegates such authority to others, using any reasonable interpretation of the provisions in those policies:
 - a. Refrain from making any interpretive decisions about policies created by the Board in the Ends and Executive Limitations policy areas.
 - b. Refrain from exercising any authority as an individual to supervise or direct the Superintendent.
- 3. Represent the Board to outside parties in announcing Board-stated positions and in stating decisions and interpretations within the areas assigned to the Chair, delegating this authority to other Board members when appropriate, but remaining accountable for its use.
- 4. With the Superintendent, plan and approve the annual meeting schedule and agenda.
- 5. When necessary, sign documents as required by law and authorized by the Board.
- 6. Appoint members to Board-approved subcommittees with input from the Board.

In the absence or inability of the Chair, the Vice Chair shall have all of the powers and duties of the Chair.