Policy 9000

ROLE OF THE BOARD

The Board derives its power from the State Constitution and laws of the State of California. (California Constitution, Article IX, § 3.3)

Each member of the Board has been chosen by the voters of their trustee area to provide effective leadership, advocacy on behalf of students, and citizen input; promote the programs and services of the Solano County Office of Education; and serve as a proponent of public education.

To build support within the local community and at the state and national levels, Board members shall be knowledgeable about the programs and services of the Solano County Office of Education in order to serve as effective spokespersons, representatives, and advocates. The Board president shall serve as the Board's official spokesperson in conjunction with the County Superintendent of Schools or other designated representative. (See Policy 9121(I))

Board members are responsible for complying with the requirements of the state's open meeting laws. (See Ralph M. Brown Act, <u>Government Code § 54950</u> et seq.)