

**Bylaw ~~9110~~ 9150: Student Member Term Of Office** ***Student Board Members***      **Status:** ADOPTED

**Original Adopted Date:** 8/11/1993 | **Last Revised Date:** 2/3/2010

The Governing Board believes it is important to seek out and consider students' ideas, viewpoints and reactions to the educational program. In order to provide student input and involvement, the Board shall include one student Board member selected by the Student Communications Council to serve pursuant to current Board Policy, Administrative Regulation and the California Education Code.

Student Board members may be reimbursed for expenses incurred in meeting responsibilities of the position, but shall not receive the compensation for attendance at Board meetings to which regular Board members may be entitled. (Education Code 35012)

***A student Board member shall not be liable for any acts of the Board. (Education Code 35012)***

The term of the student Board member shall be one school year, ~~usually beginning in October~~ ***commencing on July 1. However, the Board may adjust the term of a student Board member only if a vacancy occurs or in order to give more students an opportunity to serve on the Board. (Education Code 35012)***

#### ***Role and Responsibilities of Student Board Members***

***Student Board members shall not be considered members of a legislative body for purposes of the Brown Act. (Education Code 35012)***

***A student Board member shall not be counted in determining the vote required to carry any measure before the Board or whether a quorum is in attendance at a Board meeting.***

Student Board members shall have the right to attend all Board meetings except closed sessions. ***(Education Code 35012)***

Student Board members shall be seated with regular Board members and be recognized at meetings. They may participate in discussing issues and shall receive materials presented to Board members except those related to closed sessions.

Student Board member(s) may cast preferential votes on all matters except those subject to closed session discussion ~~and the Consent Calendar~~. ***Preferential voting means a formal expression of opinion that is recorded in the minutes and cast before the official vote of the Board.*** Preferential votes shall not affect the final numerical outcome of a vote. ~~Preferential votes shall be recorded in the Board meeting minutes.~~ (Education Code 35012)

It shall be the responsibility of the Student Board member to communicate with the Board regarding items that are of interest and concern to the general student body of the school district. It shall also be the responsibility of the Student Board member to accurately reflect to the general student body of the school district the feelings and actions of the Board on items of interest and

concern to the general student body.

#### ***Alternate Student Board Member***

***If the Board determines that the student Board member's duties are not being fulfilled, the Board may appoint another student to serve out the term of the student Board member. If an alternate student Board member is appointed, the Board shall suspend the prior student Board member's rights and privileges related to service on the Board. (Education Code 35012)***

#### ***Elimination of Student Board Member Position***

***Once established, the student Board member position shall continue to exist until the Board, by majority vote of all voting Board members, approves a motion to eliminate the position. Such a motion shall be listed as a public agenda item for a Board meeting prior to the motion being voted upon. (Education Code 35012)***