## POLICY ON VACANCIES ON THE GOVERNING BOARD

## Reference: California Education Code Sections 5090 et seq. California Government Code 1770

Vacancies on the District Governing Board may be caused by any of the events specified in Government Code Section 1770 or any applicable provision in the Elections Code, or by a failure to elect.

Resignations from the Board shall be governed by Education Code 5090. A written resignation by a member of the Board shall be communicated in writing to the Board and the Superintendent-President. Such resignations shall be effective when the written resignation is filed with the County Superintendent of Schools, except when a deferred effective date is specified in the written resignation. A written resignation, whether specifying a deferred effective date or otherwise, shall be irrevocable upon being filed with the County Superintendent of Schools. The resignation will be announced at the next Board meeting following such resignation.

Within sixty (60) days of the vacancy or filing of a deferred resignation, the Board shall either order an election or make a provisional appointment to fill the vacancy. If an election is ordered, it shall be held on the next regular election date not less than one hundred thirty (130) days after the occurrence of the vacancy. If a provisional appointment is made, it shall be subject to the conditions of Education Code 5091. The person appointed to the position shall hold office only until the next regularly scheduled election for District Board members, when the election shall be held to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term. The provisional appointment will be made by a majority vote of the Board members at a public meeting.

Administrative regulations shall be established to solicit applications that assure ample publicity and information for prospective candidates for a provisional appointment to the Board. The schedule and appointment process, which may include interviews at a public meeting, will also be provided.

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