

STUDENT REPRESENTATION TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**I. PURPOSE**

Student representation to the Board is provided for the following purposes:

- A. To provide two-way communication between the high school student bodies and the Board of Trustees, Superintendent and staff.
- B. To provide the Board and administrative staff with the opportunities to listen and respond to student concerns and problems and to seek opinions from student board members in arriving at effective solutions to student related problems.
- C. To provide student board members of the associated student bodies of each high school with specific opportunities to identify student concerns, to define and communicate specific problems to the Board of Trustees, and to work effectively with the Board and administrative staff on solutions to problems of mutual concern.

II. SELECTION OF STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS

- A. The associated student body of each high school shall select a student to represent them as a member of the Board of Trustees (Torrey Pines, La Costa Canyon and Sunset High Schools and the San Dieguito High School Academy).
- B. The student members selected by the Associated Student Body shall be appointed for a term of service not to exceed one year.
- C. Student board members selected to attend conferences, workshops, etc., shall be provided the same travel allowance and reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses as voting members, but shall not receive compensation for attendance at Board meetings to which regular Board members may be entitled.

III. DUTIES OF STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS

- A. To attend each meeting of the Board of Trustees and to serve as spokesperson for students.
- B. To represent students at the Board of Trustees meetings and communicate to the Board the activities, opinions, concerns and ideas of the high school student body he/she represents.
- C. To report back to the student body of his/her high school the opinions, concerns and actions taken by the Board of Trustees so that effective two-way communication can be facilitated.
- D. To make motions that may be acted upon by the Board, except on matters dealing with employer-employee relations pursuant to Chapter 110.7 (commencing with Section 3540) of Division 4 of Title I of the Government Code.
- E. Student board members may cast preferential votes on all matters except those subject to closed session discussion. Preferential votes shall be cast prior to the official Board vote and shall not affect the final numerical outcome of a vote. Preferential votes shall be recorded in the Board meeting minutes.

IV. PROCEDURES FOR COMMUNICATING IDEAS, CONCERNS AND PROBLEMS**A. Communication Regulations and Procedures at Board Meeting**

1. Student board members shall meet with the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee prior to each regular meeting to review student issues.
2. Student board members shall be entitled to participate at meetings of the Board of Trustees as follows:
 - a. All student board members shall be given an opportunity at the beginning of each Board meeting to report on activities underway at the school site they represent.
 - b. Up to three student board members are entitled to participate at each regular meeting of the Board of Trustees according to guidelines included in Board policy and administrative regulations.
 - c. A rotation system is to be developed annually to insure all student board members an equal opportunity to participate fully at regular Board meetings.
3. Student board members may not attend closed sessions of the Board of Trustees.
4. Student board members may request items to be placed on the Board Agenda by submitting the item to the District Superintendent.
5. Student board members will receive an advance copy of the Board Agenda, any back-up material (with the exception of back-up material for closed-session discussion items), and a copy of the minutes of each meeting of the Board of Trustees.
6. The student board members may request additional information regarding items on the agenda from the District Superintendent or his designated representative.