

UNITY OF CONTROL

Only official actions of the Board are binding on the Superintendent. Board authority rests with a quorum of the Board. Individual Board Members possess no individual authority.

Accordingly:

1. Decisions or directives of individual Board members, officers or committees are not binding on the Superintendent, except when the Board has specifically authorized such exercise of authority.
2. In the case of a Board member, Board members or committees requesting reports, information or assistance or employee action without explicit Board approval, the Superintendent shall obtain Board approval when such requests, in the Superintendent's opinion, have already been provided, are outside the proper authority or role of the requester, or require a material amount of staff time or funds to fulfill.
 - a. In cases where a Board Member requests reports, information, assistance or employee action without explicit Superintendent approval, the employee is directed to report the request immediately to the Superintendent and not follow through with such request until directed to do so by the Superintendent.
 - b. If the Superintendent does not agree with the request of an individual Board Member to create reports or commit employee time and energy, the Board Member has the option to accept that decision or follow:
 - i. The guidelines described in Policy 7322, Meeting Agendas, in order to place the request as an action item on a Regular Board Meeting Agenda;
or
 - ii. The guidelines as described in Policy 7274, Board Member/Superintendent Progressive Response Protocols.

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