

Policies and Regulations

NEPN Code: BBAA/STI

School Board Governance and Operations

School Board Authority and Responsibilities

By statute definition the School Board is an elected body created according to the laws of the state to serve as the governing board of Southeast Technical College for the purpose of organizing, maintaining, and locating schools and for providing educational opportunities and services for all district residents.

The chief function of the Sioux Falls School Board is to provide for the progress and welfare of Southeast Tech, and to establish and maintain the policies which govern its organization and operation. The Board functions only when it is convened in regular or special meeting which has been legally called. An individual Board member has no authority to speak for the Board unless such authority is delegated by the Board.

The Board is responsible for formulating policies for the general management of Southeast Tech. It shall delegate administrative authority to the Southeast Tech President, but shall be responsible to the people for the results produced.

- The Board acts as a policy making body and through its own action legislates to make effective these policies.
- The Board acts as an appraisal body rendering judgment upon recommendations that may come to it through its executive officers, its own members, or the public which concern the progress and improvement of the schools.
- The Board shall sit as a judicial body when the Southeast Tech President requests a hearing or on an appeal for any Southeast Tech employee, group of employees, or student.

The Board shall:

- Select a Southeast Tech President who is the chief executive officer of Southeast Tech.
- Adopt the annual budget for the support of Southeast Tech.
- Carefully deliberate on all issues to be considered. The majority action of the Board on a given issue should become the policy of the entire Board until such time as the question is again raised for consideration.
- Act upon recommendations of the Southeast Tech President regarding
 - matters of policy;
 - appointment, transfer, and dismissal of all personnel;
 - selection of programs of study;
 - adoption of salary schedules for employees of Southeast Tech;
 - passing upon accounts and audits of the business control of the school;
 - studying and passing upon the reports of the Southeast Tech President and his/her staff;
 - interpreting the program and representing the needs of the institute before the public; and
 - all other matters pertaining to the welfare of Southeast Tech.

Individual Members

Board members have authority only when acting as a Board legally in session. The Board shall not be bound in any way by any statement or action on the part of any individual Board member except when such statement or action is in pursuance of specific instruction by the Board.

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 13-8-1 School Board Defined
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