The Board shall keep itself informed of pending legislation and actively communicate its concerns and make its position known to elected representatives at both the state and national level.

The Board will work with its legislative representatives, with the state school Boards association, the National School Boards Association, and other concerned groups in developing an annual and long-range legislative program.

The Board annually shall designate a person - who may or may not be a member of the Board - to serve as its legislative representative. This person shall be authorized to speak on the Board's behalf with respect to legislation being considered by the state legislature, or the United States Congress or their representative committees. In all dealings with individual elected representatives, the legislature, or Congress, the Board's representative will be guided by the official positions taken by the Board.

Legislative Representative

A legislative representative shall serve as the Board's liaison with the state school Boards association. This representative shall attend state school boards association meetings and convey local views and concerns to that body and participating in the formulation of state legislative programs. The legislative representative shall monitor proposed school legislation and inform the Board of the issues.

Recommended Legislation

All requests for proposed legislation will be directed to the Board's designated representative. The Board will review the request determine if it should be included in the District's legislative package.

When legislative items are introduced that are not related to the adopted goals directly, the Superintendent and designated representative will confer with the Board prior to taking a position on such items. If time does not permit discussion with the Board, the President and/or Vice-President will be contacted. If they are not available, two Board members will be contacted.

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