THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Resignation and Other Vacancies

A Trustee position becomes vacant before the expiration of a term, when any of the following occurs:

- Death of the incumbent;
- Resignation, in writing, filed with the Clerk;
- Incumbent moves out of the district, establishing residence elsewhere;
- Incumbent is no longer a registered elector of the District under the provisions of §20-20-301, MCA;
- Incumbent is absent from the District for sixty (60) consecutive days;
- Incumbent fails to attend three (3) consecutive meetings of the trustees without good reason;
- Incumbent has been removed under the provisions of § 20-3-310, MCA; or
- Incumbent ceases to have the capacity to hold office under any other provision of law.

A Trustee position also shall be vacant when an elected candidate fails to qualify.

When a Trustee vacancy occurs, the remaining trustees shall declare such position vacant and fill such vacancy by appointment. The Board will receive applications from any qualified persons seeking to fill the position after such notices as determined by the board to be appropriate. The Board will appoint one (1) candidate to fill the position. Should the Board fail to fill a vacancy within sixty (60) days from the creation of a vacancy, the county superintendent shall appoint, in writing, a competent person to fill such vacancy. An appointee shall qualify by completing and filing an oath of office with the county superintendent within fifteen (15) days after receiving notice of the appointment and shall serve until the next regularly scheduled school election and a successor has qualified.

Resignation of a Trustee, for whatever reason, must be submitted in writing to the Clerk and shall specify an effective date.

The Board will ratify the resignation at its next regularly scheduled meeting and will proceed to fill the vacancy as provided by statute and Board policy.

Legal References: § 2-16-502, MCA Registrations

§ 20-3-308, MCA Vacancy of trustee position

§ 20-3-309, MCA Filling vacated trustee position – appointee

qualification and term of office

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