#### THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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## Qualifications, Terms, and Duties of Board Officers

The Board officers are the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. These officers are elected at the annual organizational meeting.

## Chairperson

The Board elects a Chairperson from its members for a one (1) year term. The Chairperson may be any trustee of the board, including an additional trustee as provided for in 20-3-352(2). The duties of the Chairperson include the following:

- Preside at all meetings and conduct meetings in the manner prescribed by the Board's policies;
- Make all Board committee appointments;
- Keep Board members informed;
- Sign all papers and documents as required by law and as authorized by action of the Board;
- Close Board meetings as authorized by Montana law; and
- Act as spokesperson for the Board.

The Chairperson is permitted to participate in all Board meetings in a manner equal to all other Board members, including the right to participate in debate and to vote. The Chairperson may not make a motion, but may second motions.

# Vice Chairperson

The Vice Chairperson shall preside at all Board meetings in the absence of the Chairperson and shall perform all the duties of the Chairperson during the Chairperson's absence or unavailability.

#### The Vice

Chairperson shall work closely with the Chairperson and shall assume whatever duties the Chairperson may delegate.

Legal References:	§ 2-3-203, MCA	Meetings of public agencies and certain associations of public agencies to be open to public – exceptions
	§ 20-3-321(2),(3), MCA	Organization and officers
	§ 20-3-351(1)(a), MCA	Number of trustee positions in high school district
	§ 20-3-352(2), MCA	Request and determination of number of
		high school district additional trustee
		positions – nonvoting trustee

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