

BOARD MEMBER AUTHORITY

The powers delegated to a School Board by the state are delegated to the Board as a whole. No authority is granted Board members acting as individuals.

The Board exercises its powers and duties only in properly called meetings, where a majority of the Board constitutes a quorum to transact business. Except when performing a specific duty as ordered by the Board, the decision and actions of a single member of the Board are not binding on the entire Board.

Legal References:

SDCL 13-8-10 (Meetings of board)
SDCL 13-8-39 (Management of schools by board – general powers)
SDCL 2-14-15 (Majority exercising joint authority)
Policy BBF (Board member code of ethics)

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