



Book	Policy Manual
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The Board may declare a Board seat vacant if the person elected:

1. fails to qualify for Board membership within 30 days of certification of the election,
2. refuses to take office,
3. resigns,
4. is convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude or a violation of the oath of office,
5. no longer resides within the boundaries of their elected District.

The Board will declare a vacancy on the Board for any actions which disqualify a member from service in accordance with state laws and local ordinances.

Three consecutive unexcused absences from regular Board meetings will be sufficient cause for the Board to declare a Board vacancy.

An excused absence is determined by the Board president. The absent Board member will notify the Board president and/or Board secretary at least seven (7) days prior to the regularly scheduled business meeting unless there is an extenuating circumstance. No prior notice is considered unexcused.

### **Appointment to the Board**

A vacancy on the Board will be filled within 30 days of the vacancy by Board appointment. The Board will:

1. Advertise the vacancy in suitable local media.
2. Solicit applications or nominations of any legally qualified citizen interested in serving on the Board.
3. Provide candidates with appropriate information regarding Board member responsibilities.
4. Announce names of candidates and accept public input either in writing or at a public meeting.
5. Interview the candidates at a public meeting.
6. Select the provisional appointee by majority vote at a public meeting.

The person appointed will hold office until the next regularly scheduled election for District Board members and will be afforded all the powers and duties of a Board member upon appointment.

*Legal Reference:*

*ALASKA STATUTES*

*14.08.041 Regional school boards*

*14.08.045 Vacancies*

*14.08.081 Recall*

*14.12.070 Vacancies*

*14.14.080 Declaring a school board vacancy*

*29.26.240 - 29.26.360 Recall*