

**SCHOOL BOARD LEGAL STATUS**

The Board of Education of the South Shore School District derives its authority to govern the local schools directly from the Wisconsin Constitution and state statutes. However, the board also recognizes that, by custom and tradition, it has a responsibility to the citizenry it serves and the persons it employs to discharge its duties and obligations in a manner that will ensure the highest possible education level.

In accepting this dual source of authority and responsibility, the Board further accepts its role as the policymaking body for the district and declares its intent to perform this function within the framework of the law and the will of the citizenry.

**Number of Board Members**

The Board shall consist of seven (7) members - one legal resident from each of six townships (Bell, Clover, Orienta, Cals, Tripp, and Port Wing) and one legal resident of the district to serve as an at-large representative. Qualified electors of the entire South Shore School District shall cast votes for each Board position.

**Terms of Office**

Board members shall serve for a term of three years and/or until their successors are elected and qualified.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 120.01 (2) Wisconsin Statutes  
120.06 (2) & (3)  
Wisconsin Constitution, Article X, Section 3

CROSS REF.: 131 Board Elections  
150, School Board Powers and Duties

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