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Powers of the Board

1. The Board has the power to employ personnel and contract for goods and services necessary for the operation of the school district.

2. It has the power to be sued and to sue and to hold and convey property for the use and benefit of the district.

3. It has the power of calling or causing to call the elections for certain purposes among the voters of the district.

4. It has the power of eminent domain.

5. It has the power of requiring rules and regulations for the operation of the school district.

6. It has the power of being fiscally independent or of causing taxes to be levied for the support of the school district.

7. It has the power of establishing its own procedures.

8. It has the responsibility of determining the educational program and services of the school district consistent with state law.

9. It has the power of appraising and reviewing its actions and policies.

10. It retains all of its powers and authority to direct and control the district to the full extent of the law. Included in those duties and powers is the right to: direct the work of its employees; determine the method, means and services to be provided; determine the staffing patterns; determine the number and kinds of personnel required; maintain the efficiency of the district operation; develop a budget; determine the methods of raising revenue; and contract out work. In addition, the Board retains the right to evaluate, hire, promote, terminate and discipline employees, and is responsible for the work of the employees of the district.

11. It retains the right under law to amend, modify or rescind policies and practices; in cases of emergency change, modify or rescind any existing policy or provision or create a new policy; determine whether or not an emergency exists; and to take action on any matter in the event of an emergency.
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Powers of the Board (continued)

12. It has broad but clearly limited powers. The exercise of its authority is restricted to the functions required or permitted by law, and then only when it acts in a legally constituted meeting.

13. The Board shall act by a formal majority vote of all of the membership constituting the Board.

Legal Reference:

CALIFORNIA EDUCATION CODE
35010 Control of District
35149 Meetings Deemed to be Regular
35160-35168 Powers and Duties