

## **9000 Series - By-Laws of the Board**

### **2. Members**

#### **B. Orientation of Board Members**

The Board of Education and administrative staff shall assist each new Board member-elect to understand the Board of Education's functions, policies and procedures, as well as operation of the school district, before the member takes office. The following methods shall be employed:

1. The Superintendent shall arrange a meeting of the Board Chairperson, the Superintendent and the new member for the purpose of answering questions and acquainting the member with the district.
2. The incoming member shall be offered a copy of the Board's bylaws, policies and administrative regulations and be told where such materials are located on the district's website. In addition, the member shall receive copies of pertinent materials developed by the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education and other helpful information explaining Board roles and responsibilities.
3. The Board Chairperson may request a veteran Board member mentor a new member to increase efficiency and effectiveness of Board work and increase understanding about all aspects of Board service.
4. The incoming member may attend, at district expense, workshops for newly elected members as approved by the Board Chair and Superintendent.

#### **Candidates**

The Superintendent, at the discretion of the Board Chair, or his/her designee may invite all candidates for the office of Board of Education member to attend (1) Board meetings, excluding any executive sessions, and (2) pre-election workshops for candidates.