

The Board of Education has the power to fill any vacancy, by a majority vote, of any member or officer of the Board. The vacancy may occur by reason of death, resignation, removal from office, refusal to serve, or residing outside of the school district. The person so appointed in the place of any such member of the Board shall hold his/her office until the next annual election of Board members. The unexpired term of the office will then be filled by election. The Board shall have the power to call a special school district election for the purpose of filling the unexpired term of office of a member of the Board.

The Board shall consider all the legal alternatives for filling a vacancy among its members. Official action or announcement will be made at the earliest regular meeting of the Board that allows sufficient time to make a responsible decision.

If the Board chooses to appoint a trustee to the vacancy, such appointment shall be based upon the following:

1. The candidate must meet the requirements set forth in Policy #2121.
2. The Board shall consider what qualities would be desirable to strengthen the Board of education and shall consider persons having such qualities.
3. In order to benefit from valuable experience, priority consideration will be given to former Board members.
4. Interest in serving the school district shall be a prime consideration.
5. Candidates for office of trustee who were not elected will be considered.