Role of the Board

The Yolo County Board of Education (“County Board”) provides leadership and citizen oversight for educational programs and services operated by the Yolo County Office of Education (“YCOE”), including services provided to school districts and the community. The primary objective of the County Board is to work with the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools (“Superintendent”) to establish the direction and priorities for the YCOE and to provide leadership to support the success of public education.

To fulfill its objective, the County Board shall:

1. Collaborate with the Superintendent to ensure implementation of the shared vision, goals, and policies of the YCOE
2. Adopt and update policies for the County Board’s own governance and for programs under the statutory authority of the County Board
3. Ensure accountability for student learning in schools and programs under the statutory authority of the County Board
4. Adopt the annual budget and review interim reports of the Superintendent
5. Fix the salary of the Superintendent in accordance with law and Board Bylaw 9500
6. Acquire, lease, lease-purchase, hold and convey real property for the purpose of housing the offices and the services of the YCOE
7. Along with the County Superintendent, ensure a safe and appropriate educational environment for all YCOE students
8. Conduct appeals on the following actions by district governing boards: student expulsions; interdistrict transfer requests; denials, nonrenewals, or revocations of charter school petitions; and other matters when required by law
9. Maintain a cooperative and supportive working relationship with local school districts, their school boards, and the community
10. Conduct public hearings when appropriate
11. Fulfill responsibilities relating to the Local Control Funding Formula (“LCFF”), including adopting the YCOE local control and accountability plan (“LCAP”) and any revisions and updates to it
12. Consider petitions and provide oversight for charter schools approved by the County Board and fulfill other statutory responsibilities in connection with charter schools

13. Provide community leadership on educational issues and advocate on behalf of students and public education at the local, state, and federal levels

The County Board is authorized to establish, carry on, and finance any program or activity that is not in conflict with, inconsistent with, or preempted by law and does not conflict with the purposes for which the County Board is established. (Education Code 35160-35160.1)

Legal Reference:

Education Code 1040, 1042, 1240, 1279, 1280, 33319.5, 35160, 35160.1, 47600-47616.5, 48919, 52066-52068

Management Resources:

CSBA Publications
Professional Governance Standards for County Boards, October 2014
California County Boards of Education Publications
County Board Member Handbook: A Guide to Effective Governance, 2015

Websites
CSBA: http://www.csba.org
California County Boards of Education: http://www.theccbe.org

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