## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

## **School District Elections**

School District elections are non-partisan, governed by the general election laws of the State, and include the election of School Board members, various public policy propositions, and advisory questions. Board members are elected at the consolidated election held on the first Tuesday in April in odd-numbered years. If, however, that date conflicts with the celebration of Passover, the consolidated election is postponed to the first Tuesday following the last day of Passover. The canvass of votes is conducted by the election authority within 21 days after the election. Within 40 days after the consolidated election, the school board shall organize by electing its officers and fixing a time and place for the regular meetings.

The Board, by proper resolution, may cause to be placed on the ballot: (a) public policy referendum according to Article 28 of the Election Code, or (b) advisory questions of public policy according to Section 9-1.5 of the School Code.

The Board Secretary serves as the local election official. They receive petitions for the submission of a public question to referendums and forward them to the proper election officer and otherwise provide information to the community concerning District elections.

## Board Member Term of Office

The term of office for a School Board member begins immediately after both of the following occur. The successful candidate takes the oath of office as provided in Board Policy 205. The term ends 4 years later when the successor assumes office.

LEGAL REF.: 10 ILCS 5/1-3, 105 ILCS 5/9 and 5/9-1.5.

5/10-10, 5/10-16, 5/10-16.5, 5/2A-1.1, 5/10-9, 5/22-17, 5/22-18, and 5/28.

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