

RELATIONS WITH BOOSTER ORGANIZATIONS

The Board recognizes that the endeavors and objectives of booster organizations can be a valuable means of stimulating interest and endorsement of the aims and achievements of the District. Care must be taken to avoid compromising or diluting the responsibility and authority of the Board.

Although booster organizations are separate legal entities from the District, many community members and parents support the organization because of its affiliation with the District. Therefore, the District needs to take reasonable steps to be sure that the booster organization is operating in compliance with its mission supporting the District and its activities and goals. Annually by November 1st, booster organizations must submit to the Superintendent/designee the following:

- by-laws
- list of the Board members of the booster organization
- tentative goals, objectives, projects and/or activities for the school year
- fund-raising plans for the school year

Annual reports on income, expenses, and balance sheets will be available for review by the District Treasurer on or before July 1st, and by the Superintendent/designee within a reasonable time during normal business hours when so requested. Should the goals, objectives, projects, activities, and/or fund-raising plans change during the school year, the Superintendent/designee is to be advised before any final revisions are made.

The Board retains final authority over all plans, projects and activities involving District students.

Booster organizations must abide by all District policies and rules as well as the following list.

1. Booster organizations must not use the school's tax ID number.
2. Booster organizations must not accept checks made out to the school and vice versa.
3. District officials must not have a leadership role in booster organizations.
4. Fund-raising activities must not occur on school premises or during school hours unless permission has been given by the Superintendent/designee.
5. Documentation on ownership of property and fund-raising activities is required.
6. The use of the District name and emblems must be authorized.

Booster organizations must have permission from the Board prior to any construction of facilities. The organization must provide the Board, in writing, that funds are available to complete the project.

Acceptance of donated equipment or materials may depend upon compliance with, or experience related to, the Board's policy of standardizing materials and equipment. Donated equipment or materials accepted by the Board become District property and fall under District maintenance, insurance, and storage guidelines

and responsibility. Equipment or materials retained under ownership of parent organizations/Booster organizations do not fall under District maintenance, insurance, or storage guidelines and responsibility but remain the responsibility of the parent organization/Booster organization.

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LEGAL REFS.: ORC 3313.20; 3313.47

CROSS REF.: AE, School District goals and Objectives
KH, Public Gifts to the District
KI, Public Solicitations in the Schools
KJ, Advertising in the Schools
KMA, Relations with Parent Organizations