



BOARD REFERRAL #7-2015 - (Corrected Pg. 2)

Include: Action(s) needed, points to be covered and suggested language for policy language, if needed.

TOPIC: Additional Method for Filling Board Vacancies

SUBMITTED BY (Board member name): Dennis Wisner

SUPPORTED BY (Three Board members' names):

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DESIRED RESOLUTION DATE: 10/19/2015

1. Board Policy related to: **GC-2E(g)**

2. Objective of the topic/conversation:

(The Board may refer the matter to the superintendent, to an appropriate Board committee, or it may dispose of it directly, depending on the nature of the issue. The initiator of the referral request may recommend the destination of the referral, subject to the decision of the Board.)

This item is to be referred to the Governance Committee and returned to the full Board for action.

3. Requirements of the discussion: **None**

4. Outside resources needed? **None**

5. Questions that will be answered at the end of the session?

Is this policy appropriate for filling Board vacancies?

6. Decisions that need to be made by the board.

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7. Prioritization – to include potential date for Work Session.

Return to full Board for action: October 19, 2015

8. Ties to committee work? **Requires review by Governance Committee.**

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G. Filling Board Vacancies

- 8) In the event the above procedure does not fill the board vacancy within 30 days:
 - a. The vacancy will be offered to the highest eligible vote getter (with over 10 votes) in the most recent board election.
 - b. If that individual declines to serve (within 48 hours of contact) the offer will be extended to the next highest eligible vote getter (with over 10 votes) in that election.
 - c. If (a) and (b) fail to fill the vacant position, they will be repeated using the results from the previous election with eligible candidates.

State Law requires a policy procedure to fill vacant board positions

In October 2015 a proposal was sent to the Governance Committee to address board vacancies prior to the implementation of voting districts.

By Board vote the Governance Committee was to review it and return it to the full board for a vote.

The Governance committee chose not to do so.

We are now up against a tight deadline (July 1) to create such a policy.

Please place the revision below on the June 20 the Governance Committee Agenda for review and return a recommendation to the full board for vote at the June 20 Board Meeting.

Revision to proposed policy change in Referral 7 – 2015

Replace revision proposed as of 10/19/2015 with the following:

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- 8) The Board president will not vote for a candidate to fill a vacancy unless the votes of the remaining Board members result in a tie vote between two final candidates.
- 9) If no candidate receives a majority of the votes, the two candidates with the greatest number of votes will proceed to a next round of voting. In the case of ties more than two candidates can advance.