

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT RELATIONS AND BOARD/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

The successful operation of the NWESD 189 requires a close, effective working relationship between the Board, Superintendent, and staff. The prerequisites for assuring this relationship are delineated in Procedure 1620-P, also known as the NWESD 189 *Operating Principles*. The relationship must be one of trust, good will, and candor. As the legally designated governing body, the Board retains final authority within the NWESD 189. The Board exercises those powers that are expressly required by law and those implied by law. The Superintendent is the Board's professional advisor to whom the Board delegates executive responsibility and such powers as are required to administrate the NWESD 189 in a manner consistent with Board policy and state and federal law.

The Superintendent, as executive officer of the Board (Secretary), shall be responsible for the administration of NWESD 189 programs under applicable laws and policies of the NWESD 189. The Board shall delineate the duties of the Superintendent and shall use them as the basis for evaluating the Superintendent's performance. Unless specifically limited, the Superintendent may delegate to other staff the exercise of any powers and the discharge of any duties imposed by NWESD 189 policy or a vote of the Board. The delegation of power or duty shall not relieve the Superintendent of responsibility for the actions taken under such a delegation.

In order to perform their responsibilities, Board members must be familiar with the operations within the agency. The Superintendent shall establish communication procedures that will enhance the Board member's understanding of NWESD 189 programs and operations.

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Second Reading:	10/23/91 (as 8330)	RCW 28A.310.020
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		RCW 28A.310.190
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		RCW 28A.310.220
		RCW 28A.310.270
		RCW 28A.310.280
		RCW 28A.310.290
		RCW 28A.310.300
		RCW 28A.310.340