

# Montpelier Public School

## C. The School Board Member

### 1. Meeting Attendance

School board members shall make every effort to attend all board meetings. If a member cannot attend a meeting he shall notify the president or the superintendent.

### 2. Public Relations

The school board member shall, through his contacts in the community, build good school-community relations. He interprets the school to the public, and sows the seed of good will toward the school at every opportunity. School matters may rightfully be discussed with patrons outside school board meetings. Information and opinions will be received in this manner. However, a school board member shall not commit himself to a decision or a course of action. This can only be done after discussing the problem at a school board meeting.

### 3. School Board Relations

Harmonious relations among school board members are essential to the effective functioning of the board. Each member shall strive to deal openly and fairly with other members of the school board:

- a. by upholding school board decisions in an impersonal manner even though he may be in the minority.
- b. by not casting reflections on other board members who have different ideas or points of view.
- c. by not bearing tales from school board meetings and by not violating any personal confidence expressed in meetings.

### 4. Responsibilities

- a. School board members are the custodians of the educational welfare of the community. Their outlook shall be progressive and constructive. Their decisions shall not be based on prejudice, personal likes or dislikes, personal gain or prestige, but solely on the welfare of the school and the students. Their office shall be regarded as a sacred trust which calls for the highest degree of personal integrity.
- b. The Superintendent Evaluation. The superintendent will be evaluated at least twice per year. The informal evaluation will be completed on or before the December board meeting. The formal evaluation will be completed on or before the February board meeting.