

SCHOOL BOARD POWERS AND DUTIES

The general mandatory powers and duties of the board are defined in sections 41 and 48 of the Public Schools Act. Other sections of the act state or imply that a division board has full power to operate the local public schools as it deems fit in compliance with provincial mandates and pertinent laws. Within these constraints, the River East Transcona School Division Board of Trustees views its required functions in the following broad areas:

(1) **Legislative and Policy Making**

The board is responsible for the development of policy as guides for administrative action and for employing a superintendent to implement its policies. The board is responsible for the hiring and evaluation of the superintendent and secretary-treasurer.

(2) **Appraisal**

The board is responsible for evaluating the effectiveness of its policies and their implementation.

(3) **Provision of Financial Resources**

The board is responsible for adoption of a budget that will provide the resources - in terms of buildings, staff, materials and equipment - that will enable the school system to carry out the board policies.

(4) **Public Relations**

The board is responsible for providing adequate and direct means for keeping the local citizenry informed about the schools, and for keeping itself and the school staff informed about the needs and wishes of the public.

(5) **Educational Planning and Evaluation**

The board is responsible for establishing education goals that will guide both the board and the staff in working together toward the continuing improvement of the educational program. The board is responsible for providing for the ongoing evaluation of the school program against the goals and objectives set forth by the board.

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