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Board Composition

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1. Trustees

a) *Elected Trustees*

The number of members on the Grand Erie District School Board is determined by regulation. Distribution of trustees shall be determined at the Committee of the Whole Meeting in March of an election year by the Board in accordance with the *Education Act* and current regulations.

A report on Trustee Determination and Distribution will be presented at the March Committee of the Whole Meeting in an election year.

b) *Appointed Trustees*

One trustee, nominated by the Six Nations Elected Council, will be appointed by the Board to represent the interests of Six Nations students covered under the Education Services Agreement with Six Nations of the Grand River attending schools under the jurisdiction of the Board as outlined in Reg. 462/97.

c) *Student Trustees*

Student trustee(s) will be appointed according to Board Bylaw 29.

2. Election/Appointment

The election of trustees occurs every four years. The appointment of the Native trustee will occur every fourth year. Once appointed, the Native trustee serves under the same terms and conditions as elected trustees, in accordance with the *Education Act* and current regulations.

3. Vacancy

When a vacancy on the Board occurs through resignation, conviction of an indictable offence, illness or death of an elected member, the vacancy shall be filled according to Section 221 in the Education Act. If the vacancy is of an appointed member, the vacancy shall be filled according to Regulation 462/97, s. 1 (10).

The vacancy of a Student Trustee shall be filled according to Bylaw 29 – Student Trustees.

A vacancy will be created if a trustee is absent for three consecutive Board meetings unless an authorized resolution is entered in the minutes prior to the adjournment of the third consecutive Board meeting.

Section 229 of the Education Act states that a member of a board will be physically present in the meeting room of the board for at least three regular meetings of the board in each 12-month period.

4. Secretary of the Board

The Director of Education shall be the Secretary of the Board.