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EXPLANATION: BOARD ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

MSBA has modified this policy to align with MSBA's recommendation that MSBA delegates and alternates be appointed at the annual reorganizational meeting. MSBA has also modified policy BCCA, MSBA Delegate and Alternate, to reflect the change in association governance structure adopted by the assembly of delegates, which increased the responsibilities of the district-appointed delegate. See policy BCCA, also in this update, for more information on the duties of the delegate.

Districts are strongly encouraged to consult the article *Board Reorganization FAQ*'s on the MSBA website for more information about elections and other reorganization questions.

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BOARD ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

According to state law, the annual organizational meeting of the Board of Education shall be held within 14 days after the annual Board election. The newly elected members shall qualify by taking the oath of office as prescribed in Article VII, Section 11, of the Constitution of Missouri. The Board secretary shall administer the oath to the new members.

Following the administration of the oath of office, the superintendent, serving as temporary chairperson, shall conduct the election of the president and vice president. Once the president and vice president have been elected, the president will preside over the remainder of the meeting. The Board shall organize by the election of a president and vice president, and the Board shall, on or before July 15 of each year, elect a secretary and a treasurer who shall assume their respective duties on July 15. The secretary and treasurer may or may not be members of the Board. The superintendent, who will serve as temporary chairperson, shall conduct the election of the president and vice president. All votes will be taken by voice vote, show of hands or another method of voting that clearly reveals each member's vote. Secret ballots are not permitted by law.

In addition, the Board will appoint one of its members to serve as the Missouri School Boards' Association delegate and one to serve as an alternate. If, pursuant to MSBA bylaws, the district is entitled to more than one delegate, the Board will appoint the number of delegates to which the district is entitled and an alternate delegate. Appointed delegates will perform the duties as outlined in policy BCCA.

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Note: The reader is encouraged to check the index located at the beginning of this section for other pertinent policies and to review administrative procedures and/or forms for related information.

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Legal Refs: Mo. Const. Art. VII, § 11

§§ 162.301, 610.010 - .028, RSMo.

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