CHETEK-WEYERHAEUSER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICIES

Adopted: 3-24-03

Revised: 11-23-09

Witnessed by Clerk: _____

GP-2 Governing Style

The Board will govern with emphasis on school district vision rather than on personal issues, encourage diversity in viewpoints, focus on strategic leadership rather than administrative detail, observe clear distinction between Board and superintendent roles, make collective rather than individual decisions, exhibit future orientation rather than past or present and govern proactively rather than reactively.

Accordingly:

- The Board will cultivate a sense of group responsibility. The Board will work in partnership with the superintendent, staff, students, parents and the community. The Board, not the superintendent or staff, will be responsible for excellence in governing. The Board will use the expertise of individual Board members to enhance the ability of the Board as a body but will not substitute individual judgments for the Board's collective values.
- 2. The Board will direct, control and advance the district through the establishment of written policies reflecting the Board's values and perspectives. The Board's major policy focus will be on the intended long-term benefits for students not on the administrative or programmatic means of attaining those benefits.
- 3. Board development will include orientation of new members and potential candidates in the Board's governance process plus periodic Board discussion and evaluation of processes to assure continued improvement.
- 4. Board members will be encouraged to attend the State School Board Convention each year. Board members attending any training or conventions will be expected to give a brief report to the Board.
- 5. The Board will not allow any officer, individual or committee of the Board to hinder or be an excuse for not fulfilling its commitments.
- 6. The Board will monitor its process and performance at established intervals.
- 7. Self-monitoring will include comparison of Board activity and discipline to policies in the *Governance Process & Board-Staff Relationship* categories.

Monitoring Method: Internal Report Monitoring Frequency: Annually