## **BOARD MEMBER INSURANCE/LIABILITY**

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Purpose: To establish the basic structure for maintenance of liability insurance and defense of such claims.

Because they are members of an agency of government whose powers and duties can only be exercised by a decision of the majority of board membership when the board is officially in session, the members of the board and its employees act as agents of the board. None of these individuals should be placed in a position of personal liability for the performance of the responsibilities vested in them by the voters of the district or assigned by the district.

Therefore, the district will maintain insurance to protect the district, board or members of the board, superintendent, principals, other administrators, teachers or any other group of employees employed by the board. This insurance will protect these individuals against liability on account of damages or injury to persons and property resulting from any act or omission of such board, or such individual in his/her official capacity as a member or employee of the board or resulting solely out of his/her membership on or employment by the board subject to terms and conditions of purchased insurance.

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