

## **ABSENCE OF A BOARD MEMBER**

Whenever possible, each board member will give advance notice to the *chair/president* or superintendent of his/her inability to attend an Eastmont Board of Directors meeting. A majority of the Board may excuse a board member's absence from a meeting if requested to do so.

The Board may declare a board member's position vacant after four (4) consecutive unexcused absences from regular board meetings, if the absences were for reasons other than: 1) illness; 2) active or training military duty; or 3) those authorized by resolution of the board.

If a board member is on active duty or training status with the military, the Board will grant an extended leave of absence to cover the period of service or training. The extended leave of absence may not have the effect of extending the board member's term. The Board also has the authority to appoint a temporary successor to the absent board member's position. The temporary successor will serve until the board member returns or the end of the board member's term.

### Cross References:

Board Policy 1114  
Board Policy 1220

Board Member Resignation and Vacancy  
Board Officers and Duties of Board Members

### Legal References:

RCW 28A.343.390  
RCW 42.12.010  
RCW 73.16.041

Quorum — Failure to attend meetings  
Causes of vacancy  
Leaves of absence of elective and judicial officers

### Management Resources:

*Policy News & Legal News*, July 2016  
*Policy News*, October 2001