

SECRETARY-TREASURER

A board secretary-treasurer may be appointed from employees, other than a position requiring a teaching certificate, or from the public. To finalize the appointment, the board secretary-treasurer will take the oath of office during the meeting at which the individual was appointed or no later than 10 days thereafter. It is the responsibility of the board to evaluate the board secretary -treasurer.

It is the responsibility of the board secretary-treasurer, as custodian of the school district records, to preserve and maintain the records and documents pertaining to the business of the board; to keep complete minutes of special and regular meetings, including closed sessions; to keep a record of the results of regular and special elections; to keep an accurate account of school funds; publish Board proceedings and the schedule of bills allowed (including a list of claims allowed); to sign warrants drawn on the school funds after board approval; and collect data on truant students. The board secretary may designate any individual(s) to assist with responding to and processing requests for records of the district. The board secretary-treasurer will also be responsible for filing the required reports with the Board of Directors, the Iowa Department of Education and all other entities, as required.

It is the responsibility of the secretary-treasurer to oversee the investment portfolio, to receive funds of the school district, to pay out of the funds for expense approved by the board, to maintain accurate accounting records for each fund, to report monthly regarding the investment portfolio and the status of each fund and to file required reports with the appropriate state agencies and other entities. It will also be the responsibility of the secretary-treasurer to coordinate the financial records, the financial reports, the cash flow needs and the investment portfolio of the school district.

In the event the board secretary-treasurer is unable to fulfill the responsibilities set out by the board and the law, the superintendent will assume those duties until the board secretary-treasurer is able to resume the responsibility or a new board secretary-treasurer is appointed. The board secretary will give bond or be covered by an insurance policy in an amount set by the board. The cost of the bond or insurance policy will be paid by the school district.

Legal Reference: Iowa Code §§ 12B.10; 12C; 64; 279.3, .5, .7, .31-.33, .35; 291.2-.4, .6-.12;
14; 299.10.
281 I.A.C. 12.3(1).

Cross Reference: 202.2 Oath of Office
210.1 Annual Meeting
215 Board of Directors' Records
501.10 Truancy-Unexcused Absences
704.3 Investments
707 Fiscal Reports
708 Care, Maintenance and Disposal of School District Records

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