Bylaws of the Board

Terms of Office

The Board of Education shall consist of seven members whose terms of office shall be staggered so that as nearly as practicable, one-half of the members shall be elected in each even-numbered year at the statewide general election. (Elections Code 1302(b), 10404.5)

Seven authorized Board member areas have been designated within the boundaries of the Orange Unified School District. One Board member must reside within each of the seven established Board member areas. Board members shall be elected by the registered voters of the entire school district. Each candidate running for membership on the Governing Board must be a qualified elector.

The term of office for members elected in regular elections shall be four years, commencing on the first Friday in December next succeeding their election. (E.C. 5017)

A Board member may serve up to three terms. The term limits shall be lifetime term limits. A Board member may not return to office after serving the maximum number of terms.

Board member terms expire four years after their initial election on the first Friday in December following the election of new members. (E.C. 5000)

A member whose term has expired shall continue to discharge the duties of the office until his/her successor has qualified by taking the oath of office. (Government Code 1302, 1360; E.C. 5017)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

5000-5033 Election of school district Board members

35010 Control of district

35012 Board members; number, election and terms, nonvoting pupil members

35107 Eligibility (adult member)

ELECTIONS CODE

1302 Governing Board Elections, even-numbered years

10404.5 Consolidation of elections

GOVERNMENT CODE

1302 Continuance in office until qualification of successor

1303 Exercising functions of office without having qualified

1360 Necessity of taking constitutional oath

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