

10 Characteristics of Effective Board Members

Effective Board Members:

- 1. Support public schools and public education.
- 2. Regularly engage in professional development.
 - 3. Act with commitment.
 - 4. Come thoroughly prepared for meetings.
 - 5. Understand the difference between board and staff roles and responsibilities.
- 6. Consider all viewpoints before making a decision.
 - 7. Work toward consensus on difficult issues.
 - 8. Respect confidentiality.
 - 9. Strive for open and honest communication with board members, staff, and the community.
 - 10. Respect the final decisions of the board.



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