## GOV1.2 - Board Members: Elections

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#### **BOARD MEMBER OATH OF OFFICE**

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Board members are required to take and subscribe to the official oath prescribed for public officers in accordance with A.R.S. 38-231. The acknowledged oath must be forwarded to the County School Superintendent on the same day it is taken. A copy of the oath must be filed with the District office, where it will be kept on file for the duration of the member's service on the Governing Board and for five (5) years after their term ends.

# **Time of Oath (Governing Board Members)**

The oath of office must be taken and subscribed after the Board member is notified of their appointment or, if elected, at any time after receiving the certificate of election, and before the commencement of their term of office unless a different time is prescribed.

# **Familiarization with Open Meeting Law**

Newly elected or appointed Governing Board members are required to review the Arizona open meeting law (OML) material, prepared by the attorney general, at least one (1) day before assuming office.

#### **LEGAL REFERENCES**

- A.R.S. 15-426
- A.R.S. 38-231
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- A.R.S. 38-431.01
- Attorney General Arizona Agency Handbook, Chapter 7, Open Meetings