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It is the policy of the Board to recognize and maintain the distinction between those activities which are appropriate to the Board as the legislative, governing body of the school district and those administrative activities which are to be performed by the Superintendent of Schools and staff in the exercise of delegated administrative authority. The function of the Board can best be described as policy-making,   appraising,   and   evaluating.

 The Board shall have the duty of providing the financial means by which the educational program is carried on. They shall also ensure that the community be informed of the needs, purposes, values, and status   of   the   schools.

 It is generally agreed that any statement of Board policies should be based upon a recognition of two district   principles   of   school   control   and   management.

1. The Board should formulate policies for the general management of the schools   of   the   district.

2. Rules and regulations should be guiding principles that reflect policy rather than detailed instructions that reflect administrative procedures. Administrative procedures are the responsibility of the Superintendent.

 The Board of Directors must be cognizant of the public which it represents and should therefore attempt to reflect the opinion of the community. It must however look forward to the future more clearly than is required of the average citizen and realize that current action will have a future effect upon the welfare of the school and its students. It should support those educational philosophies and procedures needed to promote education for this community based upon the present and future needs of   the   pupils   as   citizens   of   the   district,   state,   and   nation.

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