

**Governance Cost**

The Board will invest in its governance capacity as necessary and prudent to assure that the governance function is effective and efficient.

1. The Board will assure that the Board and its members have the training and support necessary for excellent governance.
  - a. Training and retraining will be used as necessary to:
    - 1) Orient candidates and new members for membership
    - 2) Maintain and increase member and Board skills and knowledge through internal supports or external consultative training, as deemed necessary by the Board.
  - b. External monitoring assistance will be used as necessary to enable the Board to exercise confident control over organizational performance. This includes but is not limited to a fiscal audit.
  - c. Stakeholder dialog strategies will be used as needed to ensure the Board's ability to listen effectively to stakeholder viewpoints and values.

**Legal Reference:**

**EDUCATION CODE**

*35010 Control of district; prescription and enforcement of rules*

*35140 Time and place of meetings*

*35143 Annual organizational meetings*

*35144 Special meetings*

*35145 Public meetings; posting of agenda; commencement of action*

*35146 Closed sessions*

*35160 Authority of governing boards commencing January 1, 1976*

*35160.5 Conditions for receipt of apportionments and inflation adjustment; adoption of rules and regulations relating to specified policies*

*35163 Official actions, minutes and journals*

*35164 Vote requirements*

*35165 Vacancies; effect on majorities and unanimous actions*

*41020.8 Annual audit; submission to county superintendent or Superintendent of Public Instruction and district*

**GOVERNMENT CODE**

*54950-54963 The Ralph M. Brown Act*

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**Monitoring Method: Board Self-Assessment**

**Monitoring Frequency: Annually**