

TITLE: MCS Governance Board Policy BIA: New Board Member Orientation

LEGAL REFERENCE:

NMSA 22-8B-8P (1978)	New Mexico Charter School Act
	New Board Member Orientation

PURPOSE:

The McCurdy Charter School (MCS) Governance Board is committed to providing appropriate orientation to newly appointed board member(s).

POSITION:

1. The members of the MCS Governance Board Nominating Committee and the MCS Director shall provide orientation to the new board member(s).
2. The orientation will include providing the new board member(s) with copies of the MCS Governance Board Bylaws and the MCS Charter.
3. The Nominating Committee will ask the newly appointed board member(s) to read the MCS Board "Conflict of Interest", "Code of Ethics" and "Board Member Commitment". As required, the new board member will sign that he or she has read the documents and agrees to comply with the documents. These signed documents will be placed in the board member's file.
4. The new member will be encouraged to visit with the MCS Director or any of the experienced MCS Board Members regarding any questions related to MCS. The Board shall make available to new members all of the information concerning the school and its operation which pertains to the role of a Board member.
5. The new member shall be informed of the proper relationship between the Board as a policy-making body and the professional educators as the administrative agencies of the Board. The new Board member shall be informed of the Roles of the MCS Governance Board as stated in the Bylaws.
6. The new member shall be informed that each member of the Board is a public officer but has no power or authority individually. The Board shall not be bound by the actions or statements of any individual Board member unless there are specific instructions from the Board and such an exception has been voted on by the Board and recorded in the minutes.

The MCS Director shall promulgate procedures to implement this policy.

REVIEW:

This policy shall be reviewed in accordance with the MCS Governance Board Policy Review Process.

RESPONSIBLE OFFICE: MCS Director and Policy & Bylaws Committee Chairperson

DATE ADOPTED:

Lebrah Renee Anderson

10/15/14

Signature

Date Signed

MCS Governance Board Chairperson

RELATED DOCUMENTS:

REVISIONS:

Date	Modification and why

MCS KEY WORDS OR RELATIONSHIP: MCS Bylaws; MCS Charter