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SPECIAL DISTRICT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY CONFERENCE



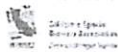
*A Comprehensive Governance Conference
for Elected and Appointed Directors/Trustees.*



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“When a man assumes a public trust, he should consider himself as public property.”

- Thomas Jefferson



The Board's Responsibilities

- Set the direction
- Establish structure
- Provide support
- Ensure accountability
- Act as community leaders



Effective Board Members keep the needs of the community as their primary focus.

- They do not represent one group, one agenda, one program.
- They stay focused on the strategic goals of the district.
- They do not get distracted by day to day issues in the district.



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Effective Board Members keep focused on the long range strategic goals of the district

- Their agenda stays focused on the important policy issues, not administrative that they employ staff to handle.

Focus on Policy Issues and Goals



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Effective board members
recognize and respect
differences of perspective
and style on the board and
among staff and the
community.



Balancing Act



- Serving the entire community
- Governing board team
- Constituency
- My own beliefs and values



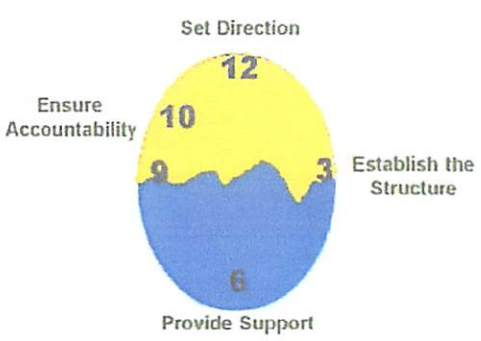
What do we mean by accountability?



- *Boards are accountable to the public for the performance of the district.*



What are the board's accountability actions/documents?



- General Manager's Evaluation
- Budget-Program Alignment
- Board Self-Evaluation

