

**BOARD MEMBER CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

The members of the Apple Creek School Board shall adhere to all laws regarding conflict of interest and be alert to situations which have the appearance of a conflict of interest.

A board member who, prior to a board meeting, is aware of an actual, potential, or perceived conflict of interest related to an agenda item shall request that declaration of his/her conflict be placed on the board meeting agenda in accordance with the district's agenda setting policy. If board member becomes aware of such a conflict during a board meeting, s/he shall raise a question of privilege, declaring the conflict of interest.

The Board will then act upon the conflict in accord with the provisions of state law, NDCC 15.1- 07-17. School district contracts – Conflict of interest – Penalty and 44-04-22 Conflict of Interest Law. All board members who are present shall vote, excluding the member(s) with the conflict.

**Investigations**

In the event that a board policy requires the Board President to conduct an investigation relating to a concern about a conflict of interest, and the Board President has a conflict of interest, the Board Vice President will conduct the investigation. If both the Board President and Vice President have a conflict of interest, the most senior board member who does not have a conflict of interest will conduct the investigation. For the purposes of this paragraph, conflict of interest is defined as a direct and substantial personal or pecuniary interest.

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End of Apple Creek School Policy BAB

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