



Board Members explaining their role in public service to a group of boy scouts who attended our Annual Meeting.



Board Member, Caren Diedrich, participating in our annual 4th Grade Kindness Retreat.



First ever B.E.A.M. Award ceremony coordinated by Board Member, Marilyn Ruffin.

No student may be unlawfully discriminated against or harassed because of the student's sex (including gender identity, gender expression and nonconformity to gender role stereotypes), color, religion, profession or demonstration of belief or nonbelief, race, national origin (including limited English proficiency), ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, homelessness status, sexual orientation, age, or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability. (SPASD Policy JB)

The Sun Prairie Area School District celebrates and values our diverse community. We support and are inclusive of all students, staff, families, and community members of all races, ethnicities, faiths, national origins, immigration statuses, political viewpoints, abilities, sexual orientations, and gender identities.

## Board of Education Meetings

6:00pm | District Support Center or City Hall

September 23, 2019	Regular Board Meeting
September 30, 2019	Regular Board Meeting
October 7, 2019	Annual Board Meeting
October 14, 2019*	Regular Board Meeting/Workshop
October 28, 2019	Regular Board Meeting
November 11, 2019	Regular Board Meeting/Workshop
November 25, 2019	Regular Board Meeting
December 2, 2019	Regular Board Meeting/Workshop
December 16, 2019	Regular Board Meeting
January 13, 2020	Regular Board Meeting/Workshop
January 27, 2020	Regular Board Meeting
February 10, 2020	Regular Board Meeting/Workshop
February 24, 2020	Regular Board Meeting
March 9, 2020	Regular Board Meeting/Workshop
March 16, 2020	Regular Board Meeting
April 13, 2020	Regular Board Meeting/Workshop
April 27, 2020	Regular Board Meeting
May 11, 2020	Regular Board Meeting/Workshop
May 26, 2020	Regular Board Meeting

\*Board meeting time adjusted to 6:30pm

For the most up to date information about the location and time of School Board Meetings, please check the District's Website:

[www.sunprairieschools.org/district/board-of-education](http://www.sunprairieschools.org/district/board-of-education)

## Concerns/Conflicts

District related concerns should be resolved at the closest level to the issue as possible. If further action is needed, concerns may be forwarded to the building principal or superintendent. Visit our website at [www.sunprairieschools.org](http://www.sunprairieschools.org) to learn more about policy governance, upcoming agendas and minutes.

# BOARD OF EDUCATION GOVERNANCE IN ACTION 2019-2020



**Sun Prairie Area  
School District**  
Futures depend on us...every child, every day.

# Governance Model Background

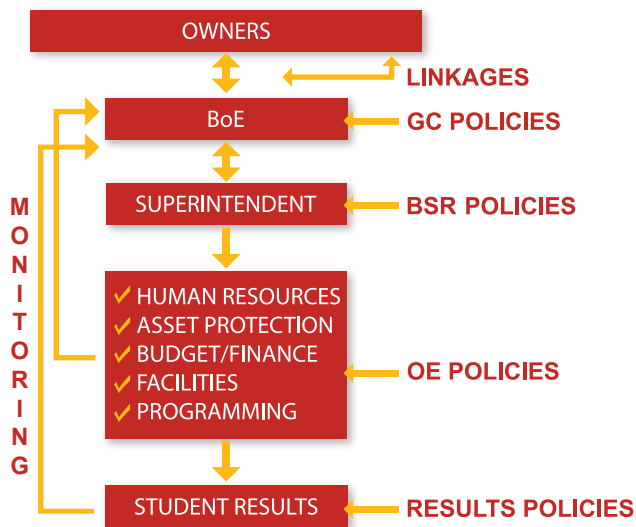
The Sun Prairie Area School Board has adopted the “Coherent Governance” model as a framework to clarify their roles and responsibilities, empowering and enabling them to govern well. The model includes Operational Expectations, Results Policies, Governance Culture Policies, and Board Superintendent Relationship Policies to guide them in their role as Board members.

The Board’s job is to represent, lead, and serve the citizens and to govern the district by establishing expectations for student achievement results, expectations for quality operational performance, and monitoring actual performance against those expectations.



## So what does this mean?

- The Board of Education acts as a whole, not as seven individuals, to ensure the success of every child through clear, concise direction to the superintendent as well as rigorous monitoring to ensure accountability.
- The Board charges the superintendent to focus every staff member and all resources toward a single goal - student achievement.
- The superintendent receives direction from the Board and authorizes the staff to implement practices, programs, and activities that will provide the best education possible.



**Board Purpose:** The Sun Prairie Area School District Board of Education is the governing Board of the Sun Prairie Area School District. The Board leads, directs, and supervises the affairs of the District through policy development and accountability. The Board serves, and is accountable to, the community primarily by ensuring the district achieves the results described in the Board’s Student Achievement Results Policies and that it operates according to the values expressed in the Board’s Operational Expectations Policies.

**Board/Superintendent Relations:** The Board and superintendent will work together as colleagues as documented in policy to achieve the Student Results.

**Community Linkages:** These sessions are hosted by the Board to gather information and understanding of what the community’s values are for the students and the district. They are candid, open conversations.

**Monitoring Reports:** Each report is an in-depth examination of Student Result Policies and Operational Expectation Policies to ensure district accountability.



The Sun Prairie Area School District Board of Education is made up of seven elected community members to serve three-year terms. The Board appoints two non-voting student members that each serve a one-year term. All School Board elections are nonpartisan and held in April. The superintendent is appointed by the Board.

## Board of Education:

<b>Steve Schroeder</b>	<i>President</i>	<i>*(2022)</i>
<b>Tom Weber</b>	<i>Vice President</i>	<i>*(2020)</i>
<b>Carol Sue Albright</b>	<i>Clerk</i>	<i>*(2020)</i>
<b>Dave Hoekstra</b>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>*(2022)</i>
<b>Marilyn Ruffin</b>	<i>Deputy Clerk</i>	<i>*(2021)</i>
<b>Bryn Horton</b>	<i>Governance Officer</i>	<i>*(2021)</i>
<b>Caren Diedrich</b>	<i>Member</i>	<i>*(2022)</i>
<b>Emily Flood</b>	<i>Student Member</i>	<i>*(2020)</i>
<b>Quinn Williams</b>	<i>Student Member</i>	<i>*(2021)</i>

*\* Term Expires*

**Student Mega Result:** Every student will graduate with the strengths, skills and academic preparation necessary for personal growth and success for the betterment of their communities.

