

Illinois Association of School Boards

Responsibilities of the Governing Board Representative

Each election year, each Board of Education in the Division is asked to designate one of its members as an IASB Governing Board Representative. Typically a member will serve for a two-year term, until the next school board election/re-organization (i.e., April, 2009 – April, 2011).

1. One of the functions of the Division is to serve as the communication channel for the Illinois Association of School Boards. The Representative facilitates two-way communication:
 - a) The Representative (along with the Superintendent and Board President) receives notice of all Division meetings. The Representative will help alert all members regarding events and encourage participation.
 - b) The Representative will carry district concerns to the Division meetings.
 - c) The Representative will report Division meeting activity and actions to the Board.
2. Each Board has one vote at Division meetings. Typically, the Representative votes for the district (after consultation with the Board). In the event the Representative cannot attend the meeting, a designee may vote for the district. (Note: each Division will be electing officers at the fall dinner meeting, typically scheduled for September or October.)
3. Often the Governing Board Representative will serve the Board by facilitating communication about matters relating to legislative issues and IASB Resolutions. The local Representative will want to work with the Division Resolutions Chair in these areas.