

<p>Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board</p>	<p>Policy Area</p> <p><b>GOVERNANCE</b> Board Process</p>
<p><b>PRINCIPLES OF BOARD OPERATION</b></p>	<p>Policy Number</p> <p>G-18.0</p>

### Preamble

The River District Social Services Administration Board (RRDSSAB) assumes responsibility for its own operations.

### Policy

The Board is responsible for its own development, job design, discipline, performance, attendance, and governance methods.

Each member of the Board has an obligation to:

- a) be accountable to the public/ownership when making decisions;
- b) respect the corporate decisions of the Board;
- c) respect confidentiality of information;
- d) respect the authority of the Chief Administrative Officer to direct the work of the administration;
- e) observe the Board's rules of order for the conduct of Board meetings;
- f) foster positive relationships between the Board and its stakeholders;
- g) respect the office of the Chairperson and the authority delegated to the Chairperson by the Board; and
- h) prepare for meetings and participate productively in discussion.

The Board may request whatever information it deems necessary for its deliberations.

Accountability is best when traceable through one channel. The Board speaks as one voice to the administration through the Chief Administrative Officer, and the Chief Administrative Officer is accountable to the Board

for the administration.

The Board delegates specific responsibility for Board process to the Chairperson, but this in no way mitigates other Board member's responsibility to contribute to the integrity of the process.

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