

BOARD MEMBER AUTHORITY

The Board shall consider itself the agent responsible for establishing and appraising educational matters and activities, excepting those cases where laws or Commissioner's Regulations would prohibit or not provide or not permit.

Peru Central School District Board of Education members have legal authority for the conduct of the district's schools only when acting as a body in a properly convened session.

The President of the Board shall be the designated spokesperson for the Board with regard to the announcement of actions which have become policy. Board members acting as individuals have no authority over school affairs or school personnel. The Board will not be bound in any fashion by any individual member's statement[s] or action[s] unless the Board, through an adopted policy or a majority vote of the Board membership, delegates this authority for each specific issue to the individual member.

Board members acting as individuals have no authority over school district personnel, school district affairs or the Superintendent of Schools.

Members of the Board are free to speak to individuals on such issues outside of board meetings, but such public expression is not to be construed as Board policy.

Ref: Education Law §§1604; 1701; 1708; 1709; 1710
General Municipal Law §805-a
Matter of Bruno, 4 EDR 14 (1964)

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