## Bylaws of the Board

## **Limits of Authority**

The Board of Education is the unit of authority. Apart from the normal function as part of the unit, Board members have no individual authority. Individually a Board member may not commit the district to any policy, act or expenditure. A Board member is prohibited from doing business with the school district and from having an interest in any contract with the school district in general. A Board member does not represent any factional segment of the community, but is rather a part of the body which represents and acts for the whole community.

No individual member of the Board, by virtue of holding office, shall exercise any administrative responsibility with respect to the schools nor as an individual command the services of any school employee.

No member of the Board of Education shall be asked to perform any duties which may be assigned to an employee of the Hamden Public School system.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-220 Duties of boards of education

10-232 Restrictions on employment of members of the board of education.