

**Burlington School District Policy
B 27: BOARD MEMBER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

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It is the intention of the Burlington School District to encourage and support Board members' efforts to remain knowledgeable about their roles and the issues before them.

Individual Board members are encouraged to take advantage of opportunities to understand their roles, educational issues in general, school programs, VT Department of Education functions and legislative activities. The Superintendent and Board Chair will be responsible for assuring that information on leadership development opportunities is available to all members. New members will participate in a district orientation session and other opportunities designed to familiarize themselves with all aspects of Board operation.

Members who take part in workshops and seminars offered by the Vermont School boards Association and other organizations will be reimbursed for travel and other expenses related to their participation provided prior approval is obtained from the Board Chair in consultation with the Superintendent.

Any professional development paid for with District resources will include a report to the Board by the participating Board member(s).

References: B 23 New Board Member Orientation

May 9, 2006
June 13, 2006

First Reading
Second Reading/Adoption