

## **1.08—GOVERNANCE BY POLICY**

The Benton School District shall operate within the guidelines of the written policies adopted by the Board of Directors. Those policies shall be within the legal frameworks of the State and Federal Constitutions, and appropriate statutes, regulations, and court decisions.

When necessitated by unforeseen circumstances, the Superintendent shall have the power to decide and take appropriate action for an area not covered by a policy of the Board. The Superintendent shall inform the members of the Board of such action. The Board shall then consider whether it is necessary to formulate and adopt a policy to cover such circumstances.

The policy manual of the Benton School District will be available on-line on the District's website. The official copy of the policy manual for the District shall be kept in the Superintendent's office. Copies of the manual within the District shall be kept current, but if a discrepancy occurs between manuals, the Superintendent's version shall be regarded as authoritative. Hard copies will also be available in each principal's office and the library of each building. A hard copy shall be given to the individual employee upon request of the employee.

Administrative regulations shall be formulated to implement the intentions of the policies of the Board. Regulations may be highly specific. The Board shall review administrative regulations prior to their implementation.

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