ANGLOPHONE WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT	GOVERNANCE POLICIES
Policy Type	Governance Process
Policy Name	Role of Council Members
Policy Number	ASD-W-GP4
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## Policy:

The District Education Council has a collective regional responsibility of governance and policy making for public education as mandated by the Education Act and its Regulations.

In addition to the responsibilities set down in the Education Act and its Regulations, and incorporated in the Governance Policies of the District Education Council, an individual representative shall:

- Be expected to attend regular, public District Education Council meetings in accordance with the Education Act (ref. Education Act 36.9(f)) and notify the secretary when unable to attend a meeting;
- Be encouraged to serve on statutory, regulatory and ad hoc committees of the District Education Council as required;
- Be expected to safeguard and keep confidential all materials and information discussed or placed in confidence;
- Be expected to be prepared for and actively participate in discussion and decision making;
- Respect decisions of the full Council;
- Exercise his/her authority and responsibility to govern only as a representative of the corporate body, not as an individual;
- Exercise honesty in all written and interpersonal interaction;
- Demonstrate respect for the opinions of others;
- Focus on issues and common goals;
- · Communicate in a timely manner;
- · Share concerns, information and knowledge;
- Make every reasonable effort to protect the integrity and promote the positive image of the District and the District Education Council; and
- Encourage and value community involvement in the public schools.

Representatives, as full participating members of the District Education Council, may be expected to:

- Act as a representative of the District Education Council at official functions;
- Be involved in provincial representative organizations and committees;
- Consult and communicate with constituents, community and business organizations regarding District Education Council activities;
- Attend conferences, workshops, etc, in order to be kept informed of current educational issues;
- Reflect community attitudes while also providing leadership in decision making.

## **MONITORING:**

	Method(s)		Frequency		Month
•	Council Self-evaluation	•	2 times per year	•	December
				•	May