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| **Policy 206.03: Secretary (I, II)** | **Status:** ADOPTED |
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**Option 1 - Secretary**

A board secretary may be appointed from employees, other than a position requiring a teaching certificate, or from the public.  To finalize the appointment, the board secretary will take the oath of office during the meeting at which the individual was appointed or no later than ten days thereafter. [It is the responsibility of the board to evaluate the board secretary annually.]  
  
It is the responsibility of the board secretary, as custodian of school district records, to preserve and maintain the records and documents pertaining to the business of the board; to keep complete minutes of special and regular board meetings, including closed sessions; to keep a record of the results of regular and special elections; to keep an accurate account of school funds; to sign warrants drawn on the school funds after board approval; and collect data on truant students.  The board secretary will also be responsible for filing the required reports with the Iowa Department of Education.  
  
In the event the board secretary is unable to fulfill the responsibilities set out by the board and the law,                                    will assume those duties until the board secretary is able to resume the responsibility or a new board secretary is appointed.  The board secretary will give bond in an amount set by the board.  The cost of the bond will be paid by the school district.

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| Legal Reference: | Iowa Code §§ 64; 279.3, .5, .7. .32, .33, .35,; 291.2-.4, .6-.8, .10-.11; 299.10.  281 I.A.C. 12.3(1). |

**Option 2 - Secretary/Treasurer**

A board secretary-treasurer may be appointed from employees, other than a position requiring a teaching certificate, or from the public.  To finalize the appointment, the board secretary-treasurer will take the oath of office during the meeting at which the individual was appointed or no later than ten days thereafter. [It is the responsibility of the board to evaluate the board secretary-treasurer annually.]  
  
It is the responsibility of the board secretary-treasurer, as custodian of school district records, to preserve and maintain the records and documents pertaining to the business of the board; to keep complete minutes of special and regular board meetings, including closed sessions; to keep a record of the results of regular and special elections; to keep an accurate account of school funds; to sign warrants drawn on the school funds after board approval; and collect data on truant students.  The board secretary-treasurer will also be responsible for filing the required reports with the Iowa Department of Education.  
  
It is the responsibility of the secretary-treasurer to oversee the investment portfolio, to receive funds of the school district, to pay out the funds for expenses approved by the board, to maintain accurate accounting records for each fund, to report monthly regarding the investment portfolio and the status of each fund and to file required reports with the appropriate state agencies and other entities.  [It will also be the responsibility of the secretary-treasurer to coordinate the financial records, the financial reports, the cash flow needs and the investment portfolio of the school district.]  
  
In the event the board secretary-treasurer is unable to fulfill the responsibilities set out by the board and the law,                                 will assume those duties until the board secretary-treasurer is able to resume the responsibility or a new board secretary-treasurer is appointed.  The board secretary-treasurer will give bond in an amount set by the board.  The cost of the bond will be paid by the school district.

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| Legal Reference: | Iowa Code §§ 12B.10; 12C; 64; 279.3, .5, .7, .32, .33, .35; 291.2-.4, .6-.8, .10-.11; 299.10. 281 I.A.C. 12.3(1). |

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| **I.C. Iowa Code** | **Description** |
| Iowa Code § 12B.10 | [Public Funds Investment Standards](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/code/12B.10.pdf) |
| Iowa Code § 12C | [Deposit of Public Funds](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/code/12C.pdf) |
| Iowa Code § 279 | [Directors - Powers and Duties](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/code/279.pdf) |
| Iowa Code § 291 | [Board Officers](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/code/291.pdf) |
| Iowa Code § 299.10 | [Compulsory Education - Truancy Officers](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/code/299.10.pdf) |
| Iowa Code § 64 | [Bonds](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/code/64.pdf) |
| **I.A.C. Iowa Administrative Code** | **Description** |
| 281 I.A.C. 12.3 | [Administration](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/iac/rule/281.12.3.pdf) |

**Cross References**

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| **Code** | **Description** |
| 202.02 | [Oath of Office](https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/Policy/ViewPolicy.aspx?S=36031104&revid=EN3s3Z5l2waOXiGG4IpxEw==) |
| 206.04 | [Treasurer](https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/Policy/ViewPolicy.aspx?S=36031104&revid=5slshrwhBOF1o0W1CNdZlAVzg==) |
| 210.01 | [Annual Meeting](https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/Policy/ViewPolicy.aspx?S=36031104&revid=sNJqa6xEfjqMm1xdN5sPbg==) |
| 215 | [Board of Directors' Records](https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/Policy/ViewPolicy.aspx?S=36031104&revid=xdiplusrauWeYH00v6ZCeqivQ==) |
| 215-EH(1) | [Board of Directors' Records - Board Meeting Minutes](https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/Policy/ViewPolicy.aspx?S=36031104&revid=slsh6NLXQ8eZMTJkOkDCmDplus3A==) |
| 501.10 | [Truancy - Unexcused Absences](https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/Policy/ViewPolicy.aspx?S=36031104&revid=fRN5bHOtsK3tplIknITjEg==) |
| 501.10-R(1) | [Truancy - Unexcused Absences - Regulation](https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/Policy/ViewPolicy.aspx?S=36031104&revid=QlKoXFcCF0EvXplusG6LQMhVA==) |
| 701.01 | [Depository of Funds](https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/Policy/ViewPolicy.aspx?S=36031104&revid=mzvXp1DB9ehxxTkFlg67Tw==) |
| 704.03 | [Investments](https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/Policy/ViewPolicy.aspx?S=36031104&revid=ltyJz01KX9noplus5SnEbLHkw==) |
| 707.01 | [Secretary's Reports](https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/Policy/ViewPolicy.aspx?S=36031104&revid=f6IslshPhZm6RZCPfqh0N68UA==) |
| 707.03 | [Publication of Financial Reports](https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/Policy/ViewPolicy.aspx?S=36031104&revid=CoClyYVs7p5t90l2X0RuEA==) |
| 708 | [Care, Maintenance and Disposal of School District Records](https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/Policy/ViewPolicy.aspx?S=36031104&revid=1J259Wo58efzdba3JyLe2w==) |