



CES and NMSBA

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Boardsmanship: What is Required?

Session 1

Block 2

Board Leadership Development

What is required of effective Board members?

- Understanding of duties, responsibilities and roles
- Understanding of authority of board
- Training/personal learning
- Attendance at meetings
- Listening, learning, reading, observing
- Maintaining confidentiality

How can you contribute to an effective Board?

Come to understand what research demonstrates differentiates effective Boards from ineffective Boards

- Carefully review the handout and discuss what you believe you can contribute to your Board on each of these eight findings



Understanding of duties, responsibilities and roles vs authority

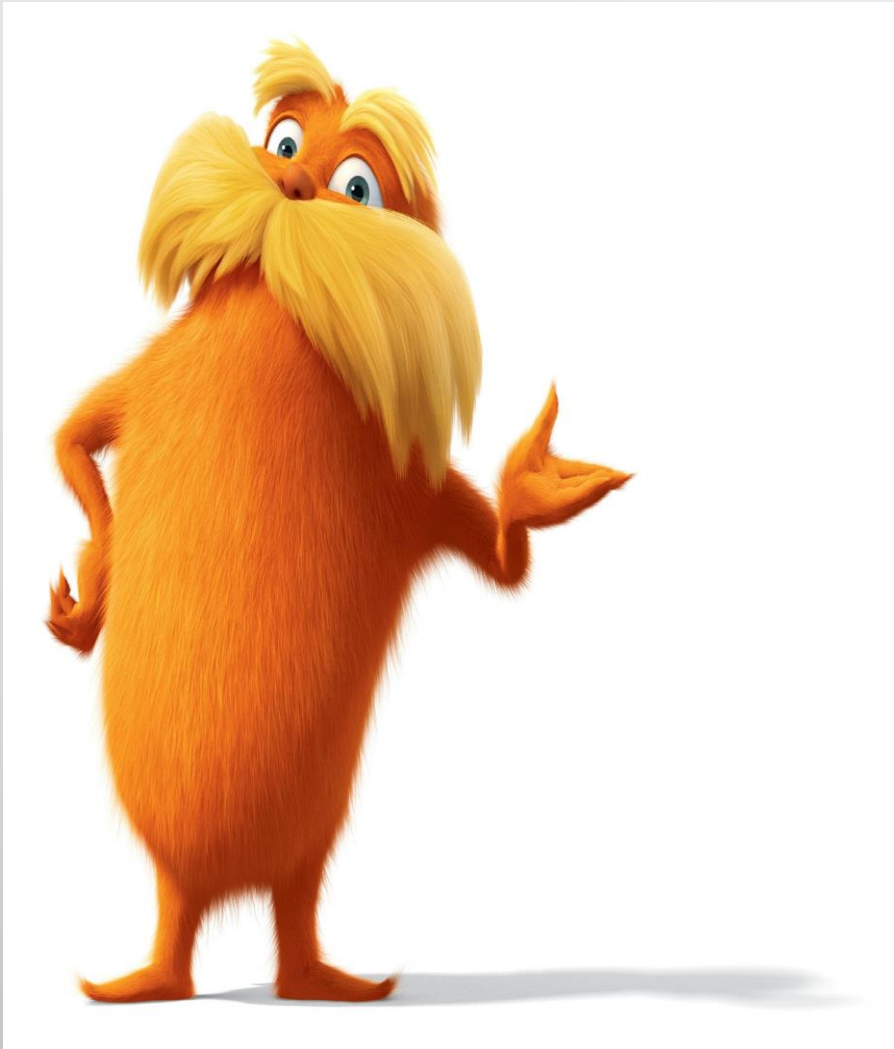
- A single Board member has no authority
 - A single Board member cannot give a directive or mandate to the superintendent or district staff—you do NOT have that authority
- Duties and responsibilities
 - Become knowledgeable about the district's vision, mission and strategic plan
 - Understand that you represent all children in the district not just those in your district
 - Attend all meetings
 - Come prepared by familiarizing yourself with the agenda items and the back up information
 - Be respectful of fellow Board members, staff and presenters
 - Learn the protocol for the meeting
 - Robert's rules of order
 - Protocol for asking questions
 - Protocol for raising issues

Continued

- Learn and understand the roles of members and the superintendent
 - Board President & officers: what are their duties?
 - Who sets the agenda
 - How are directives given to the superintendent
 - How are reports requested
 - Who speaks to the press
 - What is the protocol for visiting schools or attending events
 - What are confidential issues
 - How does the Board interact with legislators

Board Norms & Code of Ethics

- Board norms
 - Developed by the Board through Consensus
 - Dictates how Board will conduct business
 - Sets parameters for professional behavior
- Code of ethics for NM Board members: <http://65.19.58.135/~nmsba/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/code-of-ethics.pdf> and handout
- Code of conduct
 - Dictates how the board will conduct themselves
 - Identifies consequences for inappropriate or unprofessional behavior



Thank you !