

**DE SOTO AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## BOARD MEMBER AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES

As an individual, a Board of Education member has no legal authority outside a legally constituted Board meeting, unless authorized by the Board, since the law assigns powers, duties and responsibilities of the Board to the Board as whole.

Board members, working together as a Board, shall be responsible for all matters pertinent to all phases related to the operation of schools and education of young people in the District. Irrespective of municipal seating, Board members shall act and assume responsibilities and leadership which is indicative of consideration to all youth in the District, wherever they attend school or reside.

Board members have a responsibility to review and research all materials received in the mail so that discussion will be brief and to the point, with no digressing and a minimum of discussion, so that action may be taken competently and quickly.

APPROVED: December 13, 2004 ADMINISTRATOR: \_\_\_\_\_