The Board, whose members are appointed as representatives of their member districts, shall act as the general agent in carrying out the will of the people in matters of public education.

The Board has those powers which are expressly granted to it by the legislature and also those powers which may be reasonably implied. The duties of NWBOCES include but are not limited to:

1. <u>Legislative Policymaking</u> - The Board is responsible for the development of policy as guides for administrative action and for employing an Administrative Director to implement its policies.

2. <u>Appraisal</u> - The Board is responsible for evaluating the effectiveness of its policies and their implementation.

3. <u>Provisions of Financial Resources</u> - The Board is responsible for the adoption of a budget which will provide for buildings, staff, materials, and equipment - which will enable NWBOCES to carry out the Board's policies.

4. <u>Public Relations</u> - The Board is responsible for providing adequate and direct means of keeping the member districts informed about programs and for keeping itself and the staff informed about the needs of the public.

5. <u>Educational Planning and Evaluation</u> - The Board is responsible for establishing educational and behavioral goals which will guide both the Board and the staff in working together toward the continuing improvement of the educational program. The Board is responsible for providing for the ongoing evaluation of the educational program.

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