## Board Member Orientation and Development

A new Board member shall be afforded a full measure of cooperation and courtesy by the Board and Administrative Director. The Board Chairman and Administrative Director shall make every effort to assist the new member to become fully informed about the Board's functions and policies, procedures, and problems.

The new member is to be provided with copies of all appropriate publications and aids, including the Board policy manual via the website @ www.nwboces.com.

To help all members develop understanding of boardsmanship, the Board Chairman or Administrative Director may request guest speakers to appear before the Board from time to time. The Administrative Director may request staff members to present and discuss new developments in various areas of curriculum and instruction.

Board members shall be encouraged to participate in meetings and activities of state and national associations and other educational groups, and to study and examine the materials they receive from these organizations.

The school district appointing a representative member shall cover the costs of travel and meeting expenses for their representative. The Board may, however, at its discretion, provide individual members within budgetary limitations, advances to cover educational meetings, workshops, or other development that the Board desires its members to attend.