

# North Star Charter School, Eagle, Idaho

*As a member of North Star Charter School (NSCS) Board of Directors, I will strive to support improvement of student achievement in education at NSCS, and to that end I will:*

Attend all regularly scheduled Board meetings, insofar as possible, having read my packet of materials, ensuring I am informed about the issues to be considered at the meetings;

Recognize the Board, in compliance with Idaho's Open Meeting Law, as recited in Idaho Code §67-2345, only has authority to make decisions at official Board meetings;

Make all decisions based on the available facts and my independent judgment, and refuse to surrender my judgment to individuals or special interest groups;

Understand the Board makes decisions as a team. Individual Board members may not commit the Board to any action unless so authorized by official Board action;

Recognize Board decisions are made by a majority vote and the outcome should be supported by all Board members;

Acknowledge NSCS policy decisions are a primary function of the Board and should be made after full discussion at publicly held Board meetings, recognizing that authority to administer policy rests with the Head of School;

Be open, fair and honest, carry no hidden agendas, and respect the right of other Board members to have opinions and ideas which differ from mine;

Recognize the Head of School is the Board's advisor and should be present at all meetings, except when the Board is considering the Head of School's evaluation, contract or salary;

Understand the chain of command policy, refer problems or complaints to the proper administrative office while refraining from communications that may create conditions of bias should a district concern ever rise to the attention of the Board as a hearings panel;

Keep abreast of important developments in educational trends, research and practices by individual study and through participation in programs providing such information;

Respect the right of the public to be informed about NSCS decisions and school operations;

Understand that I may be present and participate in Executive Session meetings which are not open to the public, and during the course of such Executive Session meetings, I will receive confidential information. I will not divulge any confidential information to anyone, including family and friends. I recognize, if I share any confidential information to anyone who is not a participant of the Executive Session meeting, it may be cause for immediate termination from the Board under the NSCS by laws;

Give staff the respect and consideration due skilled, professional employees and support the employment of those best qualified to serve as staff, while insisting on regular and impartial evaluations for all staff;

Present personal criticism of operations to the Head of School, not to staff or to a Board meeting;

Refuse to use my Board position for personal or family gain or prestige. I will announce any conflicts of interest before Board action is taken; and

Remember always that my first and greatest concern must be the educational welfare of the students attending the NSCS.

Director Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Effective July 27, 2016