Living Sky School Division No. 202
BOARD POLICY

2040 – ROLE OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR			
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POLICY

The Board believes that its ability to discharge its obligation is enhanced when leadership and guidance is forthcoming from its membership.

The Board Chair shall hold office at the pleasure of the majority of the Board until the next Organizational Meeting and shall be eligible for re-election. In the event of the office becoming vacant during the year, a new Board Chair shall be elected at the next regular meeting in a manner similar to that followed in the election of the Board Chair at the Organizational Meeting.

The Chair shall assure the integrity of the Board's process, represent the Board to outside parties and speak for the Board.

Accordingly, the Board Chair shall:

1. Be involved where appropriate, with agenda planning for all meetings of the Board of Education.

2. Assure Board behaviour is consistent with Board policies, and obligations imposed upon the Board from outside the organization.

3. Assure that the Board discusses only those issues that clearly belong to the Board to decide.

4. Ensure Board meeting deliberation is fair, open, thorough, efficient, limited to time, and to the point.

5. Make interpretive decisions that fall within topics covered by Board policies on Governance & Management.

6. Chair Board meeting with all commonly accepted powers.

7. When requested, conduct Board meeting debriefing.

8. Allow for, when requested, self-assessment to ensure processes improve.

9. Represent the Board to outside parties by stating positions consistent with its policies, resolutions and bylaws.

10. Have the opportunity to attend Leadership Professional Development sessions.

The role of the Vice-Chair shall include the following:

1. To replace the Chair when needed.

2. To be involved where appropriate, with the Board Chair in agenda planning for all meetings of the Board of Education.

3. Have the opportunity to attend Leadership Professional Development sessions.