



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3311.19 Joint vocational school district board of education.

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(A) The management and control of a joint vocational school district shall be vested in the joint vocational school district board of education which, beginning on September 29, 2013, shall be appointed under division (C) of this section.

All members of a joint vocational school district board serving unexpired terms on September 29, 2013, may continue in office until the expiration of their terms. If a member leaves office for any reason prior to the expiration of that member's term, the vacancy shall be filled only in the manner provided in division (C) of this section.

(B) Except as provided in section 3311.191 of the Revised Code, members of the joint vocational school district board appointed on or after September 29, 2013, shall serve for three-year terms of office. No member shall hold office for a period of longer than two consecutive terms. Terms shall be considered consecutive unless separated by three or more years.

Members of the board shall be selected based on the diversity of the employers from the geographical region of the state in which the territory of the joint vocational school district is located represented by the members. Not less than three-fifths of the members of the board shall reside in or be employed within the territory of the joint vocational school district board upon which the member serves.

(C) The manner of appointment and the total number of members appointed to the joint vocational school district board shall be in accordance with the most recent plan for the joint vocational school district on file with the department of education. An individual shall not be a member of an appointing board, unless the individual meets the criteria in division (C)(2) of this section.

(1) Appointments under this section shall be made as the terms of members of each joint vocational school district board who are serving unexpired terms on September 29, 2013, expire or as those offices are otherwise vacated prior to the expiration date.



(2) Members of the joint vocational board shall have experience as chief financial officers, chief executive officers, human resources managers, or other business, industry, or career counseling professionals who are qualified to discuss the labor needs of the region with respect to the regional economy. The appointing board shall appoint individuals who represent employers in the region served by the joint vocational school district who are qualified to consider the state's workforce needs with an understanding of the skills, training, and education needed for current and future employment opportunities in the state. The appointing board may give preference to individuals who have served as members on a joint vocational school business advisory committee who meet the qualifications in division (C)(2) of this section.

(D) The vocational schools in the joint vocational school district shall be available to all youth of school age within the joint vocational school district subject to the rules adopted by the joint vocational school district board of education in regard to the standards requisite to admission. A joint vocational school district board of education shall have the same powers, duties, and authority for the management and operation of such joint vocational school district as is granted by law, except by this chapter and Chapters 124., 3317., 3323., and 3331. of the Revised Code, to a board of education of a city school district, and shall be subject to all the provisions of law that apply to a city school district, except such provisions in this chapter and Chapters 124., 3317., 3323., and 3331. of the Revised Code.

(E) The superintendent of schools of a joint vocational school district shall exercise the duties and authority vested by law in a superintendent of schools pertaining to the operation of a school district and the employment and supervision of its personnel. The joint vocational school district board of education shall appoint a treasurer of the joint vocational school district who shall be the fiscal officer for such district and who shall have all the powers, duties, and authority vested by law in a treasurer of a board of education.

(F) Each member of a joint vocational school district board of education may be paid such compensation as the board provides by resolution, but it shall not exceed one hundred twenty-five dollars per member for each meeting attended plus mileage, at the rate per mile provided by resolution of the board, to and from meetings of the board.



The board may provide by resolution for the deduction of amounts payable for benefits under section 3313.202 of the Revised Code.

Each member of a joint vocational school district board may be paid such compensation as the board provides by resolution for attendance at an approved training program, provided that such compensation shall not exceed sixty dollars per day for attendance at a training program three hours or fewer in length and one hundred twenty-five dollars a day for attendance at a training program longer than three hours in length. However, no board member shall be compensated for the same training program under this section and section 3313.12 of the Revised Code.