

## **Scottsdale Unified School District**

### **BDG SCHOOL ATTORNEY**

The Governing Board may choose to hire General Counsel for the District. The General Counsel is expected to represent, advise and assist the District's administration on a daily basis, but shall recognize that the position of General Counsel exists to represent the organization acting through its duly elected Governing Board. The General Counsel may communicate directly with the Governing Board.

The Governing Board and Superintendent will work together to develop a search and hiring process for the General Counsel position when needed. Compensation and purpose should be determined at the time of employment.

The Board President and Superintendent shall annually evaluate the performance of the General Counsel, after receiving input from each of the other Board members.

The Superintendent or Board members may confer with the District's General Counsel. Board members shall adhere to Policy BBAA when making requests of General Counsel. The Superintendent, General Counsel and Board President or Board member designee(s) appointed by the Board shall be designated as the representatives of the District who may confer with outside counsel.

Only the Superintendent, General Counsel or Board President may authorize Board members or staff to contact outside legal counsel regarding District matters. Written legal opinions prepared at the request of the Board or written legal opinions requested by the Superintendent pertaining to matters being considered by the Board shall be provided to all Board members. The District will not be responsible for fees that accrue because of unauthorized individual Board member or staff consultation with outside legal counsel.

The Governing Board retains the authority to terminate the employment of General Counsel, in compliance with applicable state laws, Board Policy and the General Counsel's employment contract.

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