

## **Board of Education**

### **Purpose/Authority**

#### **Town Charter –**

**Section 2-6. Board of Education.** At the biennial meeting of electors of the town as defined in Section 2-2 of this chapter and on the first (1st) Tuesday after the first (1st) Monday of November 1995 and annually thereafter, three (3) members of the Board of Education shall be elected to serve for terms of three (3) years each so that there shall always be nine (9) members. No party designation shall appear in connection with the names of candidates for said Board. Nominations therefor shall be made by a petition signed by one (1%) percent of the registered electors. Such petition shall be filed with the Town Clerk in accordance with Section 9-461 of the Connecticut General Statutes. The Town Clerk shall certify on such petition the number of signers whose names appear on the last-completed voting list, and if such petition fills the requirements hereof he shall certify the name of the candidate so nominated. The three (3) candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. If any vacancy occurs in said Board it may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board until the next annual election, unless the number of remaining members falls below seven (7), in which case a special election shall be called to fill such vacancies for the unexpired portion of the term. Any vacancy to be so filled at the next regular annual election shall be filled by the candidate receiving the fourth (4th) highest number of votes, and, if an additional vacancy is to be filled, the candidate receiving the fifth (5th) highest number of votes shall be declared elected thereto. If the unexpired terms to be so filled are of unequal duration, the candidate receiving the fourth (4th) highest votes shall fill the longer term.

**Section 2-7. Nomination of Candidates.** The name of any elector of the town shall be placed on the voting machines at the municipal election as a candidate for any office to be filled if he has been nominated by a political party in accordance with the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes or in whose behalf there shall be filed a petition presenting him as a candidate for election, said petition to be filed in accordance with the requirements of the Connecticut General Statutes, the sufficiency of said petition to be determined by the Town Clerk as provided therein, and which candidacy shall in all other respects meet the requirements and conditions set forth herein. The names of all candidates duly nominated shall be arranged according to the election procedure as established by the Connecticut General Statutes.