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**MEDFORD AREA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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DATE REVISED: June 15, 1995 OPERATIONS  
DATE REVISED: May 15, 2003 POLICY TITLE: BOARD MEMBER CONFLICTS OF  
DATE REVISED: January 28, 2010 INTEREST  
DATE REVISED: December 14, 2015**

Medford Area Public School District Board of Education members shall not use their office to obtain financial gain or anything of substantial value for their private benefit, or for the benefit of their immediate family, or for any organization of which they are associated. A board of education member shall not take any official action substantially affecting a matter in which the board of education member, or a member of his/her immediate family or an organization in which the board of education member is associated has a substantial value. Anything of substantial value means anything of more than nominal, token, or inconsequential value in light of the totality of the circumstances. This does not prohibit board of education members from using the title or prestige of their position as board of education members to obtain campaign contributions that are permitted and reported consistent with state law.

No board of education member shall solicit or accept from any person, directly or indirectly, anything of value if it could reasonably be expected to influence the board of education member's vote, official actions or judgments, or could reasonably be considered as a reward for any official action or inaction on the part of the board of education member.

Nor shall a board of education member use his or her position in a way that produces or assists in the production of anything of value, direct or indirect, for the board of education member, or one or more members of the board of education member's immediate family, either separately or together, or an organization with which the board of education member is associated. Anything of value is defined as any money or property, favor, service, payment, advance, forbearance, loan, or promise of future employment excluding compensation and expenses paid by the state or hospitality extended for a purpose unrelated to state business by a person other than an organization.

**CROSS REFERENCE: BBF**

**LEGAL REFERENCE: §19.41, 19.59(1), 118.12, 119.66, 946.10, 946.12, 946.13, Wis.  
Stats.**