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The School Board of the Mineral Point Unified School District is comprised of 7 school board members. Board members are public officials who are elected or appointed to office as provided under state law.

Applicable law defines the scope of the Board's duties, powers, and authority. State law expressly provides that the statutory duties and powers of school boards shall be broadly construed to authorize any school board action that is within the comprehensive meaning of the terms of the duties and powers, if the action is not prohibited by the laws of the federal government or by the laws of this state. Further, one of the express statutory powers of the Board is the power do all things reasonable to promote the cause of education.

## **Legal References:**

## Wisconsin Statutes

Wisconsin Statutes	
Section 115.001(7)	[school board defined]
<u>Section 118.001</u>	[construction of statutory duties and powers]
Chapter 120	[school district government; includes certain statutes applicable only to
	certain types of school districts]
<u>Section 120.12</u>	[school board duties; including responsibility for the general management
	and supervision of the school district]
<u>Section 120.13</u>	[school board powers, including the power to do all things reasonable for
	the cause of education]
<u>Section 120.41</u>	[composition of school board in unified school districts]
<u>Section 120.44</u>	[school board powers and duties in unified school districts]

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