

ASBA Governance Facts

AND HOW ASBA IS DIFFERENT FROM SCHOOL AUTHORITIES

Fact Sheet One

The ASBA Act



1. THE ASBA IS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED AND INCORPORATED BY STATUTE - THE ALBERTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION ACT.

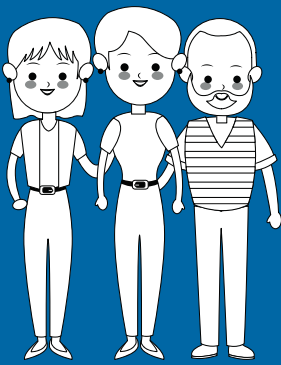
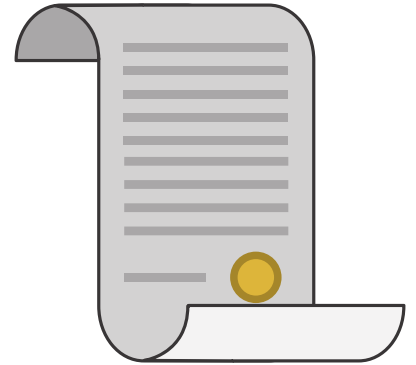
What is distinctive about being a statutory corporation?

- Authority and powers are derived from the incorporating legislation.
- Legislative amendment is required to alter the powers of corporations established by legislation.

2. SECTION 3 OF THE ACT

Section 3 of the ASBA Act sets out the objects, powers, and purposes of the ASBA.

As they are set out in legislation, the ASBA's foundational statements and mandate must be aligned with these objects, powers, and purposes and cannot be inconsistent with them.



3. SECTION 6 OF THE ACT

Describes the members of ASBA as follows:

It states that the board of trustees of a school district or division in Alberta that owns or operates a school building is eligible for membership in the Association.

If the association considers it advisable and passes a bylaw, an education authority other than those referred to above is eligible to be a member.

4. SECTION 7 OF THE ACT

Exclusion of a board from membership in the ASBA:
A board may exclude itself from membership by giving notice in writing not less than 7 months before beginning of the next following financial year and will take effect that following financial year.



5. SECTION 8 OF THE ACT

Sets out the authority of ASBA to pass bylaws, at a general meeting.

6. KEY MATTERS ADDRESSED THROUGH BYLAWS INCLUDE:

- The election of officers and executive of the Association.
- The formation of zones and other divisions of the Association and the ability to delegate powers to them, including passing bylaws and rules for their own management.
- Setting times, dates, and conduct of meetings of the Board, as well as the annual general meetings.
- Any other matter necessary or convenient for management of the association, promotion of its welfare, and conduct of its business.

