The governing board of a merged area is a board of directors composed of one member elected from each director district in the area by the electors of the respective district. Members of the board shall be residents of the district from which elected. Successors shall be chosen at the annual school elections for members whose terms expire. The term of a member of the board of directors is three years and commences at the organization meeting. Vacancies on the board shall be filled at the next regular meeting of the board by appointment by the remaining members of the board. A member so chosen shall be a resident of the district in which the vacancy occurred and shall serve until a member is elected pursuant to section 69.12 to fill the vacancy for the balance of the unexpired term. A vacancy is defined in section 277.29. A member shall not serve on the board of directors who is a member of a board of directors of a local school district or a member of an area education agency board.

Commencing with the regular school election in 1981, the governing board of a merged area shall consist of not less than five nor more than nine members.

Director districts shall be of approximately equal population within each merged area.
[C66, 71, 73, 75, § 280A.12; C77, § 280A.12, 280A.23(2); C79, 81, § 280A.12, 280A.28; 82 Acts, ch 1136, § 7]

C83, § 280A. 11
84 Acts, ch $1219, \S 15 ; 89$ Acts, ch 136, §66
C93, § 260C. 11

