

489—3.2(237) Membership.

3.2(1) The state board shall select, in consultation with the chief judge, five members and two alternate members to serve on each local board. The members of each local board shall consist of persons of the various social, economic, racial, and ethnic groups and various occupations of their district and who have demonstrated an interest in children and their welfare through community service or professional experience.

3.2(2) A person employed by the department of inspections and appeals, the department of human services, the judicial department, an employee of an agency with which the department of human services contracts for services for children under foster care, or a child-placing agency shall not serve on a local board. The state board shall provide the names of the members of the local boards to the department of human services.

3.2(3) Vacancies on a local board shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments are made. Each member of the local board may be eligible to receive compensation as provided in Iowa Code section 7E.6.

3.2(4) The term of a local board member's appointment shall not exceed two years. The state board shall fix the tenure of individual appointments so that no more than one-half of the membership's terms expire in a given year.

3.2(5) A quorum consists of at least three local review board members or alternates. A quorum shall be present before cases can be reviewed and recommendations can be voted on. At least two members must be present during questioning of interested parties.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 237.19.