

256.84 Powers facilities rules.

1. The board may purchase, lease, and improve property, equipment, and services for educational telecommunications including the broadcast and narrowcast systems, and may dispose of property and equipment when not necessary for its purposes. The board and division administrator may arrange for joint use of available services and facilities.
2. The board shall apply for channels, frequencies, licenses, and permits as necessary for the performance of the board's duties.
3. This section does not prohibit institutions under the state board of regents and community colleges under the department of education from owning, operating, improving, maintaining, and restructuring educational radio and television stations and transmitters now in existence or other educational narrowcast telecommunications systems and services. The institutions and schools may enter into agreements with the board for the lease or purchase of equipment and facilities.
4. The board may locate its administrative offices and production facilities outside the city of Des Moines.
5. The board shall adopt and update a design plan for educational telecommunications systems and services in this state. The design plan shall be updated at least every two years. Copies of the design plan and updated design plan shall be made available to the governor and members of the general assembly upon request. The plan shall include a list of public utilities and private telecommunications companies being utilized by the educational telecommunications system; the cost of the system; the fees or charges established for the system; and information on areas where construction is required because facilities are not available from private telecommunications companies.
6. The board shall establish guidelines for and may impose and collect fees and charges for services. Fees and charges collected by the board for services shall be deposited to the credit of the division. Any interest earned on these receipts, and revenues generated under subsection 7, shall be retained and may be expended by the division subject to the approval of the board.
7. The board may make and execute agreements, contracts, and other instruments with any public or private entity and may retain revenues generated from these contracts. State departments and agencies, other public agencies, and governmental subdivisions and private entities including but not limited to institutions of higher education and nonpublic schools may enter into contracts and otherwise cooperate with the board.
8. The board may contract with engineers, attorneys, accountants, financial experts, and other advisors upon the recommendation of the administrator. The board may enter into contracts or agreements for such services with local, state, or federal governmental agencies.
9. The board may adopt rules to implement and administer the programs of the division.
10. The decision of the board is final agency action under chapter 17A.