## 306.33 Appointment of board of trustees.

Within sixty days after a regional transit authority has been created under section  $\underline{306.32}$  of the Revised Code, the board of trustees for such regional transit authority shall be appointed as provided in this section.

Members of a board of trustees of an authority created by the exclusive action of a county shall be appointed by the county commissioners of such county. A board of trustees of an authority created by two or more political subdivisions shall consist of such number of members, who shall have such qualifications and who shall be appointed by such public officers as shall be provided in the resolutions or ordinances creating such authority, or any amendments thereto. If the resolutions or ordinances creating such authority, or any amendments thereto, so provide, then the government shall appoint such members of the board of a regional transit authority as provided in such resolutions and ordinances. The appointing authority may at any time remove a trustee for misfeasance, nonfeasance, or malfeasance in office.

The trustees of any authority first appointed shall serve staggered terms. Thereafter each successor shall serve terms of three years, except that any person appointed to fill a vacancy shall be appointed to only the unexpired term. Any appointed trustee is eligible for reappointment.

A majority of the board of trustees constitute a quorum, the affirmative vote of which is necessary for any action taken by the authority. No vacancy in the board shall impair the rights of a quorum to exercise all rights and perform all the duties of the authority.

Each member of the board of trustees, before entering upon his official duties, shall take and subscribe to an oath or affirmation that he will honestly, faithfully, and impartially perform the duties of his office, and that he will not be personally interested directly or indirectly in any contract let by the regional transit authority.

After each member of the board has taken the oath as prescribed by this section the board shall meet and organize by electing one of its members as president and another as vice-president, who shall hold their respective offices until the next annual meeting of the board as provided in its bylaws. At each annual meeting thereafter the board shall elect from its membership a president and a vice-president who shall serve for a term of one year.

The board shall appoint and fix the compensation of a secretary-treasurer, who shall be the fiscal officer and shall not be a member of the board and who shall serve at the pleasure of the board. Each member of the board of trustees is entitled to receive from the regional transit authority reimbursement for his reasonable expenses in the performance of his duties.

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