

# Policy Statement

1. The Pinal Rural Fire Rescue and Medical District is a political subdivision of the State of Arizona subject to the Arizona Revised Statutes.
2. The Fire Board of the Pinal Rural Fire Rescue and Medical District has the ultimate responsibility for the protection of life and property within the district boundaries and that of its contracts for fire protection.
3. Arizona Revised Statutes defines the powers and duties of the elected Board as pertains to the creation and operation of a fire district.
4. There are numerous other statutes that pertain to fire districts and all Board members should be familiar with these laws and with the constant changes introduced in the legislature. This can best be done through our membership in the Arizona Fire District Association which serves as a watchdog for all fire districts in Arizona.
5. The district through its officers, Board members, committees, bylaws and a policy statement, shall oversee the organization of the District and its operations to assure compliance with the Arizona Revised Statutes and make such recommendations as are necessary for the efficient operation of the District.
6. Rules of Journal: The Board shall determine its own rules and order of business. It shall keep a record of its proceedings and the record shall be open to public inspection during regular office hours.
7. Written Rules of Procedure: The bylaws and rules of procedure of the Board shall be in writing and shall be available to all interested citizens.
8. Rules of Parliamentary Practice: The rules of parliamentary practice as determined by the chairman shall govern the Board, and shall be consistent with the bylaws of the District or with the State of Arizona laws governing fire districts.