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TO: Mrs. Margaret Abreu, Assistant Superintendent, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

{*47} This is in reply to your letter of February 25, 1931 in which you ask if it is necessary, upon the induction of new members of a municipal board of education into office, to reorganize the board for the purpose of electing officers.

{*48} Section 120-905 of the 1929 Compilation provides, "From among its members the board shall elect a president, vice-president and a clerk"

It would seem to me that the legislature intended that the choice of officers should be made from **all** of the members of the board and that new members should have a voice in selecting the officers by whom they are to be governed. Since the membership of the board has changed, my opinion is that the board should be reorganized and new officers chosen from its present membership. Of course, there is nothing to prevent the re-election of existing officers if the new board sees fit to do so.

By Quincy D. Adams,

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