
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The School Governance (Roles, Procedures
and Allowances) (England) Regulations 2013**

PART 3

Appointment, Functions and Removal of Officers

Delegation of functions to the chair or vice-chair in cases of urgency

8.—(1) Where paragraph (2) applies, the chair may exercise—

- (a) any function of the governing body which can be delegated to an individual; and
- (b) any function that under regulation 19(2) cannot otherwise be delegated to an individual.

(2) The circumstances are that the chair is of the opinion that a delay in exercising the function would be likely to be seriously detrimental to the interests of—

- (a) the school;
- (b) any pupil⁽¹⁾ at the school, or their parent; or
- (c) a person who works at the school.

(3) In paragraph (2), “delay” means delay until the earliest date on which it would be reasonably practicable for a meeting of the governing body, or of a committee to which the function in question has been delegated, to be held.

(4) Where it appears to the vice-chair that—

- (a) the circumstances mentioned in paragraph (2) apply, and
- (b) the chair (whether by reason of vacancy in the office or otherwise) would be unable to exercise the function in question before the detriment referred to in that paragraph is suffered,

the reference in paragraph (1) to the chair is to be read as if it were a reference to the vice-chair.

(1) “Pupil” is defined at section 3 of the 1996 Act.