

The School Board is the representative body of the community as it relates to schools. It wishes to provide an avenue whereby citizens may express their interest in and concern for the schools. Accordingly, the public is cordially invited to attend any and all public sessions of the Board.

Board meetings are conducted with a set agenda preplanned by the Superintendent of Schools. If a citizen or citizens wish to make requests, presentations or proposals, they are requested to direct these to the Superintendent or to School Board members, who will contact the Superintendent, so that items may be placed on the agenda. All items are to be submitted 6 days prior to a public meeting. Any citizen attending a School Board meeting wishing to raise any subject regarding school affairs, may do so. Said item shall be placed on the agenda for the next meeting for review and action. The intent of the Board is as follows:

1. To allow everyone who wishes it, a fair and adequate hearing.
2. To allow the Superintendent to take direct action of the Board on enforcing policies already in existence.
3. To make certain the Board does not make ill-advised, illegal or improper ruling due to hasty action in the absence of adequate information and study, especially if a new policy is to be recommended.
4. To see that the time so devoted does not interfere with the regular agenda of the meeting.

Executive sessions may be called only by the public, recorded vote of 3/5 of the members, present and voting, of such bodies or agencies. All executive sessions shall be in compliance with the State Right to Know Law, as outlined in section 405, sub-chapter 1.

The Board shall officially transact all business at a legal meeting of the Board. The chairperson shall start all meetings promptly at the appointed hour. The Board shall hold various types of meetings, including:

1. Informational Meeting                      A background session called to acquaint the Board with information concerning phases of the operation of the school district. No official action may be taken at these sessions.
2. Regular Meeting                              The usual official legal action meeting, held regularly.
3. Special Meeting                              An official legal action meeting called between the scheduled regular meetings to consider specified topics.

4.                   Executive Session                   A closed session called to acquaint the Board with information of a confidential nature such as matters of personalities, property sales or acquisitions, labor negotiations, or legal consultations. No official action can be taken at these sessions except that permitted or required by law.
  
5.                   Adjourned Meeting                   When the Board is unable to complete the work it has scheduled at a regular or special meeting, it may, by majority vote, adjourn until a specified time set for an "adjourned meeting." Public notification shall be given of the time and place of the adjourned meeting. The Board shall take up its work at the adjourned meeting at the point where the regular session adjourned, with the exception that minutes of the preceding meeting shall be read.

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