

## School Board

### Board Policy Development

The School Board governs using written policies.- Written policies ensure legal compliance, establish Board processes, articulate District ends, delegate authority, and define operating limits. -Board policies also provide the basis for monitoring progress toward ~~district~~District ends.

#### Policy Development

Anyone may propose new policies, changes to existing policies, or deletion of existing policies. Staff suggestions should be processed through the Superintendent. -Suggestions from all others should be made to the Board President or the Superintendent.

A Board Policy Committee will consider all policy suggestions, and provide information and recommendations to the Board.

The Superintendent is responsible for: (1) providing relevant policy information and data to the Board, (2) notifying those who will implement or be affected by or required to implement a proposed policy and obtaining their advice and suggestions, and (3) having policy recommendations drafted into written form for Board deliberation. The Superintendent shall seek the counsel of the Board ~~attorney~~Attorney when appropriate.

#### Policy Adoption and Dissemination

Policies or policy revisions will not be adopted at the Board meeting at which they are first introduced, except when:- (1) appropriate for a consent agenda because no Board discussion is required, or (2) necessary or prudent in order to meet emergency or special conditions or to be legally compliant. -Further Board consideration ~~will~~may be given at a subsequent meeting(s) and after opportunity for community input. The adoption of a policy will serve to supersede all previously adopted policies on the same topic.

The ~~School~~ Board policies are available for public inspection in the District's main office during regular office hours. -Copy requests should be made pursuant to Board policy 2:250, *Access to ~~District's~~District Public Records*.

#### Board Policy Review and Monitoring

The ~~School~~ Board will periodically review its policies for relevancy, monitor its policies for effectiveness, and consider whether any modifications are required. -The Board may use an annual policy review and monitoring calendar.

#### Words Importing Gender

Throughout this policy manual, words importing the masculine and/or feminine gender include all gender neutral/inclusive pronouns.

#### Superintendent Implementation

The Board will support any reasonable interpretation of ~~School~~ Board policy made by the Superintendent. If reasonable minds differ, the Board will review the applicable policy and consider the need for further clarification.

In the absence of ~~School~~ Board policy, the Superintendent is authorized to take appropriate action.

#### Suspension of Policies

The Board, by a majority vote of members present at any meeting, may temporarily suspend a Board policy except those provisions that are controlled by law or contract. -The failure to suspend with a specific motion does not invalidate the Board action.

LEGAL REF.: 105 ILCS 5/10-20.5.

CROSS REF.: 2:150 (Committees), 2:250 (Access to ~~District's~~District Public Records), 3:40 (Superintendent)

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