BOARD MEETINGS – CLOSED SESSIONS

A. The Board may meet in closed session only for the following purposes:

1. To consider the dismissal, suspension, or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against a public officer, staff member, or individual agent, when the named person requests a closed hearing (a majority vote is required).

2. To consider the dismissal, suspension, or disciplining of a student when the student or the student's parent or guardian requests (in case of a minor) a closed hearing (a majority vote is required).

3. Sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement when either negotiating party requests a closed hearing (a majority vote is required).

4. To consider the purchase or lease of real property up to the time an option to purchase or lease that real property is obtained (a two-thirds (2/3) vote is required).

5. To consult with its legal counsel regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with the specific pending litigation, but only when an open meeting would have a detrimental financial effect on the litigation or settlement position of the Board (a two-thirds (2/3) vote is required).

6. To review the specific contents of an application for employment or appointment to the Board of Education when the candidate requests that the application remain confidential. However, all interviews by the Board for employment or appointment to the Board of Education shall be held in an open meeting (a two-thirds (2/3) vote is required).

7. To consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure as provided by state or federal statute (MSA 4.1800 (18); MCLA 15.268) (a two-thirds (2/3) vote is required).
B. The purpose or purposes for calling the roll call vote and the closed session shall be entered into the minutes of the meeting at which the vote is taken. The closed session shall be recorded in separate minutes which shall not be a matter of public record except as provided in 1976 PA 267. The minutes shall include the time, date, and place of meetings; members present and members absent; the purpose or purposes for which the closed session is called; a brief summary of the discussion; and an indication that only matters for which the meeting was called were discussed. No vote shall be taken during closed session on matters considered in closed session. Any action taken on such matters shall be taken in open session and recorded in the minutes of the meeting. These minutes may be destroyed one year and one day after approval of the minutes of the regular meeting at which the closed session was approved (MSA 4.1800 (17); MCLA 15.267).

LEGAL CITATION: MSA 4.1800 (17); MSA 4.1800 (18); MCLA 15.267; MCLA 15.268

POLICY

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