USE OF THE COMPUTER NETWORK BY BOARD MEMBERS

The use of this technology will assist Board members in gaining access to information which will help them carry out their governance and policy setting functions. By acceptance and use of the computer network, Board members agree:

A. To seek only information and clarification which will directly assist them in their duties as a Board member.

B. To use the network only for seeking information and not for deliberation or rendering a decision in violation of the Open Meetings Act.

C. To expect the superintendent, where appropriate and when responding to request for information from one Board member, to forward the response to all Board members.

Board members need to be aware that any conference, or discussion, of more than two members is prohibited and is a potential violation of the Open Meetings Act.

There should be no expectation of privacy for any messages sent by E-mail. Board members should not discuss matters, which would otherwise be considered confidential. Messages that have been deleted may still be accessible on the hard drive if the space has not been occupied by other messages. Messages deleted or otherwise, may be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, unless an exemption would apply.

The superintendent and/or his/her designee shall develop appropriate administrative regulations to support the needs of the Board members in their use of technology.

POLICY

Adopted: August 20, 1996