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# School Board Meeting Procedure

#### Agenda

The agenda for any Board meeting shall be prepared by the Superintendent and Board Chairman. Items submitted by the Board Chair or at least two (2) board members shall be placed on the agenda. Citizens may also suggest inclusions on the agenda. Such suggestions must be received by the Superintendent at least six (6) days before the Board meeting, unless of immediate importance. Individuals who wish to address the Board must also notify the Superintendent, in writing, of the request. The request must include the reason for the appearance. Citizens wishing to make brief comments about school programs or procedures or items on the agenda need not request placement on the agenda, and must follow the procedure established for public input at Board meetings.

Regular Meeting Agendas - A forty-eight (48) hour agenda notice shall be required in advance of each regular meeting, however, additional agenda items may be added after completion of the agenda up to and including the hour of the meeting, provided that a good faith effort is made to include in the notice all agenda items known at the time to be probable items of discussion. Notices and agendas must be posted in a prominent place at the principal office of the District, of if no such office exists, at the building where the meeting is to be held.

<u>Special Meeting Agendas</u> – Special meetings require a twenty-four (24) hour meeting and agenda notice. The agenda notice shall include at a minimum the meeting date, time and place

#### Order of Business

The order of business will be determined by the Board Chairman and Superintendent with input from the Board. Upon consent of the majority of the members present, the order of business at any meeting may be changed.

The following will be the order of business followed by the Board:

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Announcement of any changes/additions to agenda
- 3) Consideration of Consent Agenda
  - A. Approval of Minutes –
  - B. Budget Report/Balance Sheet
  - C. Payment of Current Bills
  - D. Associated Student Body Records
- 4) Programs

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- 5) Unfinished Business
- 6) New Business
- 7) Reports and Comments Requiring No Action
- 8) Adjourn

## Consent Agenda

To expedite business at a Board meeting, the Board approves the use of a consent agenda, which includes those items considered to be routine in nature. Any item which appears on the consent agenda may be removed by a member of the Board. It is strongly suggested that any Board member who wishes to remove an item from the consent agenda give advance notice in a timely manner to the Board Chairman and Superintendent. The remaining items will be voted on by a single motion. The approved motion will be recorded in the minutes, including a listing of all items appearing on the consent agenda.

## Minutes

The Clerk shall keep written minutes of all open Board meetings, which shall be signed by the Chair and the Clerk. The minutes shall include:

- The date, time and place of the meeting;
- The presiding officer;
- Board members recorded as absent or present;
- All motions, resolutions, orders, or ordinances proposed and their disposition;
- The results of all votes, and upon the request of a member, the vote of each member, by name;
- Legal basis for recessing into executive session; and
- Time of adjournment.

When issues are discussed that may require a detailed record, the Board may direct the Clerk to record the discussion verbatim.

Unofficial minutes shall be delivered to Board members in advance of the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board. Minutes need not be read publicly, provided that members have had an opportunity to review them before adoption. A file of permanent minutes of Board meetings shall be maintained in the office of the Clerk, to be made available within a reasonable period of time after a meeting for inspection upon the request.

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## Minutes of Executive Session

The Clerk shall keep written minutes of executive session. Said minutes shall be limited to a specific reference to the Idaho code section authorizing the executive session and sufficient detail to provide the general subject matter. The minutes shall not contain information that would compromise the purpose of going into executive session. Executive session minutes may be recorded in the body of the written minutes of the open session and are a public record.

# Use of Electronic Devices During Meetings

Board members will not utilize electronic communication during board meetings unless that communication is also publicly communicated to those in attendance at the meeting. Such communication will be recorded or otherwise referenced in the board minutes, as determined appropriate, given the nature of the topic being considered.

#### Quorum

No business shall be transacted at any meeting of the Board unless a quorum of the members is present. A majority of the full membership of the Board shall constitute a quorum A majority of the quorum may pass a resolution.

# Meeting Conduct and Order of Business

General rules of parliamentary procedure are used for every Board meeting. The most current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order* may be used as a guide at any meeting. The order of business shall be reflected on the agenda. The use of proxy votes shall not be permitted. Voting rights are reserved to those trustees in attendance. Voting shall be by acclamation or show of hands.

## **Delivery to Board Members**

The Board agenda shall be delivered to Board Members at least two full days prior to meeting and posted according to law. All meetings are open to the public.

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LEGAL REFERENCE:

Idaho Code Section 33-510, 67,2343, 67-2344

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