

AGENDA PREPARATION/ADVANCE DELIVERY OF MEETING MATERIAL

The superintendent and the board president shall prepare the agenda for all meetings of the board. In doing so, they shall consult the board secretary.

Items of business suggested by any board member, staff member, or citizen of the district may be included at the discretion of the superintendent and board president. When appropriate, the agenda shall allow time for the remarks of citizens, staff members, or students who wish to speak briefly before the board.

The agenda shall be published pursuant to provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. The board shall follow the order of business set up by the agenda unless the order is altered by a majority vote of the members present and voting. At a regularly scheduled meeting for which an advance agenda has been provided to the public, items of business not anticipated at the time the agenda was prepared may be discussed and acted upon if a majority of the board present and voting agrees to consider them. However, existing board policies and bylaws may not be revised or new ones adopted unless the proposals are on the written agenda.

The agenda, together with supporting materials, shall be distributed to board members sufficiently prior to the board meeting to permit them to give items of business careful consideration. The agenda shall also be made available to the press, representatives of community and staff groups, and others, upon request.

Consent Agenda

The purpose of the consent agenda is to enable the passage of routine matters of board operation in one motion in order to expedite the flow of the regular meeting. The items which can be considered in this category are approval and acceptance of minutes, substitutes, special education placements, transportation routes, special education tuition agreements, payment of bills, cafeteria report, treasurer's report, suspension list, enrollment report, report of fire drill dates, transportation report, student activity account report, board secretary report.

Board members have an obligation to review all items on the consent agenda in advance of the meeting and notify the president if he/she has a conflict of interest for any item on the consent agenda. If there is a conflict of interest for an item, that item shall be removed from the consent agenda and a separate motion.

Those items on the consent agenda items will be noted on the public agenda in correct order. Voting requires a roll call vote.

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Key Words

Board Meeting Agenda, Delivery of Meeting Materials, Board Meeting Materials, Agenda

Legal References: N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1 General mandatory powers and duties
N.J.S.A. 18A:54-20 Powers of board (county vocational schools)

Crifasi v. Governing Body of the Borough of Oakland, 156 N.J. Super. 182 (App. Div.)

1978)

Possible

Cross References: *1120 Board of education meetings
*9311 Formulation, adoption, amendment of policies
*9312 Formulation, adoption, amendment of bylaws

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.