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## **ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION IN BOARD MEETINGS**

Members of the Board of Directors may attend and participate by electronic means in regular or special meetings of the Board in accordance with this policy and state law. For purposes of this policy, "electronic means" shall be defined as attendance via telephone, video or audio conferencing, or other electronic device.

Board members may attend and participate by electronic means in a regular or special Board meeting when determined by the Board president to be appropriate. In accordance with state law, the Board shall gather in one physical location for at least one quarterly regular meeting each year. A meeting at which one or more Board members attend and participate by electronic means shall be subject to the same procedural requirements, including but not limited to notice requirements, as apply to other meetings. In the event a meeting is held entirely via electronic means, the public shall have access to the meeting at the Centennial BOCES Greeley office.

The physical location(s) specified for regular meetings of the Board shall be available for public access to any meeting at which one or more Board members attend and participate by electronic means. The executive director may, when feasible, arrange additional or alternative sites for such purposes. Public involvement in the meeting shall be on the same basis as for a meeting held in a single physical location.

A Board member who attends and participates by electronic means shall identify the location from which he or she is participating and those present. If the Board convenes in executive session, the Board member attending and participating by electronic means shall ensure confidentiality during that portion of the meeting.

A Board member's failure to comply with this policy may result in the Board's refusal to allow the member to participate by electronic means in Board meetings.

LEGAL REF.: C.R.S. 22-5-104(5) (board must adopt policy allowing board

members to attend and participate electronically in meetings,

if the BOCES wishes to allow this practice)

CROSS REF.: BE, Board of Directors Meetings

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