



AGENDA

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SCHOOL BOARD MEETING RULES OF PROCEDURE

An individual speaker who appears at a School Board meeting to speak on an agenda item must register prior to the meeting, and will be allotted three (3) minutes to speak on the agenda item prior to School Board discussion on the agenda item.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL FOR DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERS	OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT
Russell Walker, Chair	Greg Bordelon
Phillip Arceneaux	Charles Bruchhaus
David Doise	Malon Dobson
Summer LeJeune	Blake Frey
Paul Trahan	Janet Jones
	Paula LeJeune
	Greg Patterson
	Blake Petry

Mrs. Abshire will confirm if there are any requests for public comment or public speaking.

III. POLICY COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Policy Committee - Russell Walker, Chair

A. Policy Changes recommended by JDP and Forethought Consulting

- **EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLANS: File EBBC**

Effective: upon approval

Act 821 rewrites La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §17:416.16. The Crisis Management and Response Plan becomes the Emergency Operations Plan, the District Threat Assessment Team becomes the District Safety and Emergency Team with revised membership, and "active shooter" becomes "active assailant." It also classifies preparedness exercises as discussion-based or operations-based, revises the classroom door requirements, and replaces the Superintendent's annual report with annual school and district safety questionnaires.

- **PROTECTION OF CRIMINAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION: File GBCA**

Effective: upon approval

Needed to be revised to meet the states requirements for background checks.

- **SICK LEAVE: File GBRIB**

Effective: upon approval

Act 539, the Teacher's Shield Act, provides that sick leave resulting from an assault or battery may be used for medical treatment, psychological treatment, and physical rehabilitation.

- **CAMERAS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION CLASSROOMS: File IDDFC**

Effective: upon approval

Act 237 amends La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §17:1948 to require that both the superintendent and his designee, or two designees of the superintendent, be present at the initial viewing of a recording after a request has been made. It also requires any person who views a recording and suspects a violation of state or federal law to report the suspected violation to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

- **STUDENT SCHEDULES: File IEE**

Effective: upon approval

Needed to be edited to match policy JB-Attendance, that was changed and adopted June 2024 in regards to seniors attending school part time.

- **CLASS RANKING AND HONOR GRADUATES: File IHC**

Effective: upon approval

Selection of Valedictorian and salutatorian, Tops University Diploma (Honor Graduates) and Career Diploma Excellence removed. Selection of honor graduates was adopted in 2023 for the incoming Freshman cohort of 2023-2024.

- **DISCIPLINE: File JD**

Effective: upon approval

Act 539 amends La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §17:416 to provide that no principal or administrator may prohibit, discourage, or retaliate against a teacher or school employee for taking disciplinary action against a student, so long as the action is taken in accordance with School Board policy. Each school must also give written notice at the beginning of each school year to teachers and school employees, including bus operators, of their rights to take or request disciplinary action and of their eligibility for leave if injured by a student.

- **SUSPENSION: File JDD**

Effective: upon approval

Act 539 revises the immediate suspension requirements for assault or battery on a school employee. When a student is formally accused, the principal is to

suspend the student immediately and remove the student from the school premises, or prohibit the student from returning. The requirement now reaches an incident occurring off school property only when that incident continues a documented altercation that began on school property.

- **EXPULSION: File JDE**

Effective: upon approval

Act 539 adds expulsion requirements for assault or battery on a school employee. Following an immediate suspension, the principal is to recommend the student's expulsion, which is to be no less than two complete school semesters, during which the student is placed in an alternative school or alternative educational placement and participates in an anger management program.

- **CHILD ABUSE: File JGCE**

Effective: upon approval

Act 631 enacts La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §17:421, confirming that school employees who are mandatory reporters are subject to all provisions of state law relative to mandatory reporters, including the training and reporting requirements of the Children's Code.

Motion:

Seconded:

Public Comment:

Board Discussion:

Vote:

IV. ADJOURN

- There being no other business to come before the Board, consideration to adjourn.

Motion:

Seconded:

Public Comment:

Board Discussion:

Vote:

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