

Board Policy Development And Adoption

1. Statement of Intent and Purpose.

The Board considers policy development one of its chief functions. Therefore, it is the intent of the Board to develop policies and put them in writing as guidelines for its own operations and for the successful and efficient functioning of the district.

While the Board reserves the right to make final determinations on intent and substance of a policy, it welcomes input and advice from its various constituency groups in the development of policies.

2. Policy Adoption.

Adoption of new policies or the revision or repeal of existing policies is solely the responsibility of the Board of Education.

The Board shall adhere to the following procedure in considering and adopting policy proposals.

- a. Informational Reading - the proposal shall be presented as an information item.
- b. First Reading - the proposal shall be presented for a first reading, discussion and first vote.
- c. Second Reading - the proposal shall be presented for a second reading, discussion and final vote.

During discussion of a policy proposal, the views of the public and staff shall be considered. Amendments may be proposed by Board members. An amendment shall not require that the policy go through an additional reading except as the Board may determine such need.

Under unusual circumstances, the Board may temporarily approve a policy to meet emergency conditions. However, the above procedure is required before the policy shall be considered permanent.

The Board shall use the same procedures for policy adoption when considering the waiver of policies to facilitate attainment of school-level goals.

3. Temporary Suspension of Policy.

The Board may at any regular or special meeting by majority vote of the Board members present, temporarily suspend any Board policy not established by law or contract.

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C.R.S. 22-33-104(4)

CROSS REF.: BGD, Administrative Regulations