

A. POLICY DEVELOPMENT

The board assigns to the superintendent the responsibility of continued review and evaluation of the policies adopted by the board and of bringing to the board's attention the need for adopting, revising, or rescinding particular policies.

Any board member, individual, group of citizens, student, or employee may initiate proposals for new policies or changes to existing policies. The initiator must refer the suggestions to the superintendent for study prior to public discussion of the proposal and board action.

As appropriate in the development of proposed new policies or the revision of existing policies, the superintendent shall seek input from the board attorney, other professionals, school system personnel, parents, students, and citizens.

Proposals to adopt, revise, or rescind policies may be added to the agenda in accordance with board policy 2330, Board Meeting Agenda.

B. ADOPTION OF NEW POLICIES

New policies introduced and recommended at a board meeting will not be adopted until a subsequent meeting. Thus, time will be given for further study and for interested parties to react. However, temporary approval may be granted by the board in lieu of formal policy adoption to meet emergency conditions or special events that will take place before a policy can be adopted formally.

During discussion of a policy proposal, the views of the public, parents, students, and staff will be considered. Board members may propose amendments at the first or second reading of the policy. An amendment will not require that the policy go through a third reading except as the board determines that the amendment needs further study and that an additional reading would be desirable.

In order for a policy to be considered official board policy, the board must adopt the policy by majority vote and the superintendent must record the policy in the minutes of the board meeting. Unless otherwise specified by the board, a policy is effective as of the date it is adopted by the board.

C. REVISION OR RESCISSION OF EXISTING POLICY

The board may revise or rescind an existing board policy only by majority vote. If a proposal to revise or rescind a policy is included in the published meeting agenda, the board may take action on the proposal at that board meeting. If, however, a proposal to revise or rescind a policy is presented at the board meeting as an addendum to the

published agenda, the board will not take action on the proposal until a subsequent meeting.

The superintendent is authorized to correct typographical errors in existing policies and to make technical and conforming changes necessitated by changes in state and federal law. Such changes are effective immediately subject to ratification by majority vote by the board at its next board meeting.

D. SUSPENSION OF EXISTING POLICY

The operation of any section or sections of board policies not established by law or contract may be suspended temporarily by majority vote.

Legal References: G.S. 115C-36

Cross References: Board Meeting Agenda (policy 2330)

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