INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

School Board members have legal authority only during regular and special meetings. Their participation in meetings, therefore, is the basic manner in which they fulfill their high office. The method of participation is discussion, deliberation, debate, and voting. Administrative action for members is legally not appropriate. All members, including the President, are expected to participate fully in deliberation and voting.

A Board member or a group of Board members as individuals, may not give a decision on matters affecting the school when not in a regular or special meeting of the Board, unless a committee of the Board is authorized by the Board to do so, in which case, legal notice of the committee meeting (which is open to the public) must be given.

Official actions may be taken only at a regular or a special meeting of the Board. In cases of emergency, the Superintendent may poll members individually on actions to be taken, but such actions shall be ratified in official manner at the next meeting of the Board.

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