

BOARD MEETINGS

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(LOCAL)

**Meeting Place and Time**

The notice for a Board meeting shall reflect the date, time, and location of the meeting. The Board shall hold a minimum of six meetings during each fiscal year.

Representatives

Nonvoting representatives approved by the Board shall represent their respective organizations before the Board.

**Regular Meetings**

Regular meetings of the Board shall typically be held on the last Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. When determined necessary and for the convenience of Board members, the Board President may change the date, time, or location of a regular meeting with proper notice.

Special or  
Emergency  
Meetings

The Board President shall call a special meeting at the Board President's discretion or on request by two members of the Board.

The Board President shall call an emergency meeting when it is determined by the Board President or two members of the Board that an emergency or urgent public necessity, as defined by law, warrants the meeting.

**Agenda**

Submission of  
Topics

A Board member shall submit a written request that a subject be included on the agenda for a meeting to the Board President and College President with a copy to the College District's attorney. The Board President and College President shall acknowledge receipt of the written request for the agenda item. The deadline for submitting items for inclusion on the agenda is the 10th working day before regular meetings and the 10th working day before special meetings.

Preparation

The College President shall compile for review by the Board President all topics timely submitted by Board members, topics requested by the Board, and topics suggested by the College President.

The Board President and the College President shall confer regarding the proposed topics, and the Board President shall determine the topics for the official meeting agenda. The Board President shall ensure that any topic the Board or individual Board members have requested be addressed are on the meeting agenda. The Board President shall not refuse to assign a topic requested by a Board member to an agenda and, once assigned, shall not have the authority to remove the topic from the agenda without that Board member's specific authorization.

A Board member who submits a topic for placement on the meeting agenda shall be prepared to discuss the topic and explain to the Board the reasons for its submission.

At the time of submission, the Board member shall provide to the Board President and the College President:

1. A written explanation of the topic and its purpose;
2. Questions the Board member anticipates will require discussion or action at the meeting; and
3. All supporting documentation and background materials relevant to the topic.

**Consent Agenda** When the agenda is prepared, the Board President shall determine items, if any, that qualify to be placed on the consent agenda. A consent agenda shall include items of a routine and/or recurring nature grouped together under one action item. For each item listed as part of a consent agenda, the Board shall be furnished with background material. All such items shall be acted upon by one vote without separate discussion, unless a Board member requests that an item be withdrawn for individual consideration. The remaining items shall be adopted under a single motion and vote.

**Notice to Members** Members of the Board shall be given notice of regular and special meetings at least three business days prior to the scheduled time of the meeting and at least one hour prior to the time of an emergency meeting.

**Closed Meeting** Notice of all meetings shall provide for the possibility of a closed meeting during an open meeting, as provided by law. The Board may conduct a closed meeting when the agenda subject is one that may properly be discussed in closed meeting. [See BDA]

**Order of Business** The order of business for regular Board meetings shall be as set out in the agenda accompanying the notice of the meeting. At the meeting, the order in which posted agenda items are taken may be changed by consensus of Board members present.

**Rules of Order** The Board shall observe the parliamentary procedures as found in *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*, except as otherwise provided in Board procedural rules or by law. Procedural rules may be suspended at any Board meeting by majority vote of the members present.

**Voting** Voting shall be by voice vote or show of hands, as directed by the Board President. Any member may abstain from voting, and a member's vote or failure to vote shall be recorded upon that member's request.

Five members of the Board shall constitute a quorum, but the affirmative vote of a majority of all members shall be required to adopt or to pass a resolution or order.

**Minutes**

Board action shall be carefully recorded by the Board Secretary or clerk; when approved, these minutes shall serve as the legal record of official Board actions. The written minutes of all meetings shall be approved by vote of the Board and signed by the Board President and the Board Secretary.

The official minutes of the Board shall be retained on file in the office of the College President and shall be available for examination during regular office hours.

**Discussions and Limitations**

Discussions shall be addressed to the Board President and then the entire membership. Discussion shall be directed solely to the business currently under deliberation, and the Board President shall halt discussion that does not apply to the business before the Board.

The Board President shall also halt discussion if the Board has agreed to a time limitation for discussion of an item, and that time limit has expired. Aside from these limitations, the Board President shall not interfere with debate so long as members wish to address themselves to an item under consideration.