

Bylaw

AGENDA PREPARATION/ADVANCE DELIVERY OF MEETING MATERIAL

The Superintendent and the board president shall prepare the agenda for all meetings of the board. In doing so, they shall consult the board secretary.

Items of business suggested by any board member, staff member, or citizen of the district may be included at the discretion of the Superintendent and board president. All agenda items and communications must be submitted to the board secretary or Superintendent at least seven (7) days prior to the scheduled board meeting. Emergency addendum items must be submitted by the end of the work day, the Monday directly prior to the scheduled board meeting.

When appropriate, the agenda shall allow time for the remarks of citizens, staff members, or pupils who wish to speak briefly before the board.

The agenda shall be published pursuant to provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. The board shall follow the order of business set up by the agenda unless the order is altered by a majority vote of the members present and voting. At a regularly scheduled meeting for which an advance agenda has been provided to the public, items of business not anticipated at the time the agenda was prepared may be discussed and acted upon if a majority of the board present and voting agrees to consider them. However, existing board policies and bylaws may not be revised or new ones adopted unless the proposals are on the written agenda.

The agenda, together with supporting materials, shall be distributed to board members sufficiently prior to the board meeting to permit them to give items of business careful consideration. The agenda shall also be made available to the press, representatives of community and staff groups, and others, upon request.

Advance written notice of time, date, location and the agenda for any scheduled, rescheduled or special meeting will be provided upon request. All expenses for paper copies and postage will be prepaid in advance by the requestor. Written requests for advance notice other than those required by law will be honored for 1 year provided the requestor has paid the board determined copy and postage fee for the year.

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Key Words

Board Meeting Agenda, Delivery of Meeting Materials, Board Meeting Materials, Agenda

Legal References: N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1 General mandatory powers and duties
N.J.S.A. 18A:54-20 Powers of board (county vocational schools)

Crifasi v. Governing Body of the Borough of Oakland, 156 N.J. Super. 182 (App. Div. 1978)

Possible

Cross References: *1120 Board of education meetings
*9311 Formulation, adoption, amendment of policies
*9312 Formulation, adoption, amendment of bylaws

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.