

MEMORANDUM

TO: NWABSD Board of Education
Members

DATE: April 29, 2025

NUMBER: 25-118

FR: Office of the Superintendent

SUBJECT: Approval of Proposed
Revisions to BB 9240
Board Development; First
Reading

STRATEGIC PLAN/BOARD GOAL:

Track 1: Operational Improvements
Initiative: Optimize Business Practices

ABSTRACT:

Board policy revisions require Board approval.

ISSUE:

At issue is to approve the first reading of the proposed revisions to BB 9240 Board Development and open for public comments.

BACKGROUND AND/OR PERTINENT INFORMATION:

The Superintendent/designee presents drafts or suggestions for board policy revisions when the law changes or specific needs occur. Policy revisions shall normally be given two readings prior to adoption by the Board.

This is the first reading of the proposed revisions to BB 9240 Board Development within the Board Bylaw series.

This update includes a reference to Board Standards.

The Board Policy Committee reviewed the proposed changes, recommends approval and to open for public comments.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the first reading of the proposed revisions to BB 9240 Board Development as presented and open for public comments;
2. Do not approve the first reading of the proposed revisions to BB 9240 as presented;
3. Take no final action.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends the Board approve the first reading of the proposed revisions to BB 9240 Board Development as presented and open for public comments.

BB 9240 BOARD DEVELOPMENT

Note: AS 14.14.160 authorizes cooperation with AASB in its training activities and in encouraging and fostering cooperation among school boards.

The public entrusts the School Board with the governance of its schools. The School Board recognizes that in order to live up to that public trust they must strive to meet the board standards they have adopted for themselves. School Board members, like teachers and administrators, need in-service training to assist them in meeting those standards. - As part of their job, School Board ~~M~~members need to participate in professional development activities that help them understand their responsibilities, stay abreast of new developments in education, and learn new ways to cope effectively with the problems they confront.

School Board members are strongly encouraged to attend at least one or more School Board development activities each year.

School Board members shall report on the development activities they attend at a regular School Board meeting as soon as possible after the School Board member's return.

Funds for School Board development and related travel shall be budgeted annually. Such activities may include state, regional, and national workshops, conferences, conventions, such as those offered by the Association of Alaska School Boards.

(cf. 9020 - Board Standards)

(cf. 9250 - Remuneration, Reimbursement, and Other Benefits)

Legal Reference:

ALASKA STATUTES

14.14.160 *Cooperation and support of certain association functions*

Adoption Date: May 23, 1995

Revised:

Northwest Arctic Borough School District