

OSBA Model Sample Policy

Code: BDDG
Adopted:

Recordings and Minutes of Board Meetings

[^{1}The Board will ensure a [^{2}video] recording is made of all of its meetings and portions of meetings that are not held in executive session. These recordings will be posted on the district’s website or social media site within seven days following the meeting.]

A video or audio recording of a meeting can be kept as the official record as long as all required content is included and it is kept in an allowable format³. Alternatively, the district may create written minutes. Written minutes do not need to be a verbatim transcript and can be kept in hard copy or electronic form⁴.

The official record must give a true reflection of the matters discussed at the meeting and the views of the participants, and must include the following information:

1. All members of the Board present;
2. All motions, proposals, resolutions, orders, ordinances and measures proposed and their disposition;
3. The results of all votes and the vote of each member by name for all actions taken⁵;
4. The substance of any discussion on any matter; and
5. A reference to any document discussed at the meeting.

If written minutes are created for meetings which do not take place in executive session, those minutes shall be available to the public within a reasonable time^{6} after the meeting. These minutes [will be published to the district website and] may be requested from the district office.

¹ {ORS 192.655 requires districts with an ADMr of 50 or more to record board meetings, and post the recording within seven days. Districts with fewer than 50 ADMr are exempt from this requirement and do not need to adopt this language.}

² {If the district lacks broadband internet, an audio recording is sufficient. See ORS 192.655.}

³ Oregon Administrator Rule (OAR) 166-017-0045(4) requires moving images or audio recordings be kept in MP2, MP3, MP4, or WAVE formats.

⁴ Oregon Administrator Rule (OAR) 166-017-0045(4) requires textual data or still images be kept in XML, ODT, TXT, PDF, RTF, PREG, JFIF, PNG, or TIFF formats.

⁵ If minutes are kept in a recorded form, all voting will use a roll call vote and if minutes are kept in written form the minutes will identify the vote of each member by name under each board action.

⁶ {The Oregon Attorney General’s *Public Records and Meetings Manual* says, “three weeks arguably is within the reasonable time allowed by statute.”}

Recordings or minutes⁷ of executive sessions will be kept in the same manner as other meetings of the Board. If disclosure of material from executive session recordings or minutes would be inconsistent with the purpose for which executive session was held under Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 192.660, the material may be withheld from disclosure. Executive session minutes of a hearing held under ORS 332.061 shall contain only material not excluded under ORS 332.061(2) and information⁸ will not be disclosed in accordance with ORS 332.061.

Either the recording or minutes of Board meetings will be kept permanently. If written minutes are created for any meetings of the Board, any recordings will be kept for at least one year after the minutes are created.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 192.610 - 192.705](#)

[ORS 332.061](#)

[OAR 166-017-0005 - 0095](#)

[OAR 166-400-0010\(9\)](#)

[OAR 199-050-0060](#)

⁷ “...a record of any executive session may be kept in the form of a sound or video tape or digital recording, which need not be transcribed unless otherwise provided by law.” ORS 192.650(2)

⁸ORS 332.061 prohibits the disclosure of:

1. The name of the minor student;
2. The issue, including a student’s confidential records;
3. The discussion; and
4. The school board member’s vote on the issue.

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