

**Meetings**

Meetings of the Board are conducted for the purpose of accomplishing district business. A meeting of the Board shall consist of any gathering of the members of the Board when more than three members of the Board, or a majority of the members, whichever is less, are present and collectively consider a matter upon which the Board is empowered to act. As a matter of district policy and state law, meetings ordinarily shall be open to the public. The Board may meet in closed sessions only to discuss certain matters as permitted or required by Alaska's Open Meetings Act.

*(cf. 9321 Executive Sessions)*

Reasonable public notice shall be given for all meetings of the Board in accordance with law and district practice, and shall be posted at all regular district and school sites before the meeting. Such notice shall include the date, time and place of the meeting and, if the meeting is by teleconference, the location of any teleconferencing facilities that will be used. Agendas will be posted, at a minimum, at the post office and city hall.

*(cf. 9012 - Communications To and From the Board)*

*(cf. 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials)*

*(cf. 9323 - Conduct of Meetings)*

**Regular Meetings**

The Board shall hold one meeting a month on the fourth Wednesday of the month to conduct business unless another date is mutually agreed upon. Another meeting may be held for workshop purposes on the second Wednesday of the month. These meetings shall be held at 7:00 p.m. at a site to be designated by the Board. Notice of regular meetings shall be posted at least three (3) days prior to the meeting.

**Special Meetings**

Special meetings of the Board may be called by the presiding officer or a majority of the Board members.

Except in the case of an emergency, notice of special meetings shall be provided at least 24 hours before the meeting. This notice shall specify the date, time, place and, if the meeting is by teleconference, the location of any teleconferencing facilities that will be used. This notice also shall be posted at all regular district and school sites at least 24 hours before the meeting.

Notice of a special meeting shall include a statement of the purpose of the meeting. No business may be transacted at this special meeting, other than that which is specifically stated in the notice of the meeting.

## **Teleconferences**

Recognizing the inherent responsibility and statutory duties of Board members, the Board strongly encourages Board members to attend and participate at meetings of the Board. Though great importance is given to the physical presence of Board members at meetings, the attendance and participation of members by teleconference is authorized whenever physical presence is not practicable. All votes at a meeting of members attending by teleconference shall be taken by roll call.

The Board also authorizes the use of teleconferences for Board meetings when receiving public comment or testimony, and during Board deliberations.

Whenever possible, meeting agendas and supporting materials shall be available at all teleconference facilities used for the Board meeting.

### *Legal Reference:*

#### *ALASKA STATUTES*

*14.08.091 Administration*

*14.14.070 Organization of school board*

*14.14.080 Declaring a school board vacancy*

*29.20.020 Meetings public*

*44.62.310 Agency meetings public*

*44.62.312 State policy regarding meetings*

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