JUNE 2025 UPDATED KASB POLICIES

The KASB June 2025 policy updates are now available. The following policy recommendations have been made by the KASB Legal/Policy Services staff. The table below explains the changes in recommended policies. Please review and compare these updates with what you have adopted to ensure you have the most up to date KASB recommended policies.

If you have any questions concerning these policy updates, please direct them to Leslie Garner, KASB's Policy Specialist/Legal Coordinator, at <u>lgarner@kasb.org</u> or at 1-800-432-2471.

	RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDED REVISION, ADDITION, OR DELETION	RECOMMENDED ACTION
BBC Board Committees (revised)	 House Bill 2134 ("HB 2134") amended K.S.A. 75-4318 to provide as follows in new subsection (h). When a subcommittee or other subordinate group is created by a public body or agency, whenever a majority of such subcommittee or other subordinate group meets, such subcommittee or other subordinate group shall be subject to the requirements of this act. This language will ensure that when a board has reduced the number of board members working on an issue by creating a subcommittee of the body or when it has established a subordinate group to perform a function on the part of the board, that those bodies will also be subject to the requirements of notice and openness that the Kansas Open Meetings Act ("KOMA") requires in K.S.A. 75-4317 et seq. Language providing that more than three board members should not serve on those bodies at one time remains in this policy, both so that the board cannot "act" outside of its official meetings law applicable to school boards are not implicated by board committee work. 	Review and adopt based upon HB 2134
CN Public Records (revised)	House Bill 2134 amended K.S.A. 45-219 with focus on what fees may be charged when a public agency provides copies or otherwise furnishes records to a requester pursuant to a Kansas open records act request. Revisions to this policy reflect those legislative developments, and the policy now more accurately reflects the law as it will be upon publication in the statute book (generally July 1st).	Review and adopt based upon HB 2134

DFE Investment of Funds (revised)	 Substitute for House Bill 2152 changes the law regarding what financial investment options are available to governmental units. Some of these changes will not fully take effect until January 1, 2026, but the changes you will note in the policy before you are effective with the passage of the law. We anticipate that there will be updated guidance on investing idle funds that becomes available for districts through the state agencies in the near future to help navigate your investment activities. Please do note that there has been a development regarding a complaint process of which you all should be aware. The process geared toward determining whether the district and other governmental units are following the law on investment of idle funds. Section 5 of this bill provides, in part, as follows. <i>If a bank, savings and loan association or savings bank has a good faith reason to believe that a governmental unit has not acted in compliance with K.S.A. 12-1675, 12-1677a or 12-1677b, and amendments thereto, the eligible financial institution may file a complaint with the state treasurer in writing and signed by an executive officer of the eligible financial institution. The complaint shall be submitted in the form prescribed by the state treasurer.</i> If the state treasurer's office finds a violation, the complaint can be made public, training can be 	Review and adopt based upon Sub. for HB 2152
	required, and penalties of up to \$500 can be assessed against the board by the attorney general.	
DFH Fundraising Activities (revised)	Language was added to clarify that students and employees cannot promote personal business, commercial, or private financial interests, either through direct sales or promotion of the sale of goods or services at school, on school property, or at school- sponsored events are prohibited.	Review and adopt if preferred to previous language
GAACB Employee Whistleblower (NEW)	House Bill 2160 brought about the Kansas Municipal Employee Whistleblower Act. Although districts already have a policy in place with some whistleblower elements that is required for federal funds, the specifics of this law require its own standalone policy, and the policy must be prominently posted where employees will see it in district buildings.	Review and adopt based upon HB 2160

IB School Site Councils (revised)	As KOMA, as amended by HB 2134, will now make any subgroups created by the board subject to the act, and the law regarding school site councils in K.S.A. 72-5170 does not require the board to approve the creation of each school site council, we removed this element of our board policy. In this way, appointments to the councils can be made administratively, without board involvement.	Review and adopt if preferred (based on changes caused by HB 2134)
JBC Enrollment (revised)	We simply added a section referring policy users with enrollment questions regarding military students to new policy JBCD.	Review and adopt based upon HB 2102
JBCD Enrollment of Military Students (NEW)	A new policy has been added to address House Bill 2102 that passed during the 2025 legislative session. This policy provides advance enrollment of a military student whose parent or person acting as a parent will be stationed in this state in the succeeding school year. No proof of address shall be required at the time of enrollment.	Review and adopt based upon HB 2102
JGFGB Supervision of Medications (revised)	Senate Bill 63, which was first vetoed, but for which the veto was overridden, puts restrictions in place on use of state funds, the provision of healthcare and related services, and the dispensing of certain medications to minors commonly used with gender transitioning. While the bill is geared more toward state employees than school district employees, we did want to add a portion to our medication administration policy to note that school staff members should not be handing out any medications that are illegal in this state.	Review and adopt based upon SB 63
JH Student Activities (revised)	Senate Bill 114 focused on home school, virtual school, and nonpublic school participation in school related activities. This policy is revised to reflect those changes in the law, which are already in effect upon publication in the Kansas Register.	Review and adopt based upon SB 114
KBC Media Relations and Usage (revised – new title)	Edits to this media policy are proposed both to refresh some out-of-date language and to incorporate language from HB 2134 stating that, if you elect to livestream your board meeting, the whole of that meeting is to be made available through that medium. Please note that livestreaming board meetings still is not a legal requirement. However, if you stream any part of it, the law says you now have to stream it all.	Review and adopt if preferred to previous language

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KGB Concealed Observations (revised)	This policy is being updated with the understanding that persons/boards may legally record or livestream the open portions of board meetings, so this is noted as an exception to our concealed observations policy.	Review and adopt if preferred to previous language
KM Visitors to the School (revised)	During the 2025 legislative session, House Bill 2052 was passed concerning possession of firearms. Language was added to the visitors to the school policy as a result, stating that off-duty law enforcement officers identifying themselves as such upon entry into a district building cannot be requested or required to provide or record personal information such as their email address, home phone number, or home address. Nor shall such officers be required to wear any item identifying themselves as a law enforcement officer or as being armed.	Review and adopt based upon HB 2052
KN Complaints (revised)	This tweak, although very minor, was made to give the board some flexibility to determine whether each and every complaint made against the superintendent must be investigated. Sometimes complaints express frustrations by an individual that do not necessarily suggest a violation of law or policy. This addition would give the board the ability to determine if it is appropriate in a given circumstance to authorize an investigation into the matter.	Review and adopt if preferred to previous language
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