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## 0167.2 - CLOSED SESSION

The Board may by means of a roll call vote meet in a closed session, one closed to the public, for the following purposes:

- A. to consider the dismissal, suspension, or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, or to consider a periodic personnel evaluation of, a public officer, staff member, or individual agent, if the named person requests a closed hearing (a majority vote is required)
- B. to consider the dismissal, suspension, or disciplining of a student only if the student or student's parents request a closed hearing (a majority vote is required) (Also see Bylaw 0169, Student Disciplinary Hearings)
- C. for strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collectively-bargained agreement if either negotiating party requests a closed hearing (a majority vote is required)
- D. to consider the purchase or lease of real property up to the time an option to purchase or lease that real property is obtained (a two- thirds (2/3's) vote is required)
- E. to consult with its attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending litigation, but only if an open meeting would have a detrimental financial effect on the litigating or settlement position of the public body (a two-thirds (2/3's) vote is required)
- F. to consider materials exempt from discussion or disclosure under State or Federal statute, including by way of example only, written opinions of legal counsel, and school safety plans (a two-thirds (2/3's) vote is required)
- G. to review the specific contents of an application for employment or appointment if the candidate requests that the application remain confidential (a two-thirds (2/3's) vote is required)

However, all interviews for employment or appointment of the Superintendent shall be held in an open meeting of the Board.

H. to consider security planning to address existing district threats or prevent potential threats to the safety of the students or staff (a majority vote is required)

In keeping with the confidential nature of closed sessions, no member of the Board shall disclose the content of discussions that take place during such sessions. The only exceptions will be discussions with the District's legal counsel or as directed by an order of a court with proper jurisdiction.

It is expected that Board members shall not record nor communicate by any means, electronic or otherwise, with party or parties outside such meetings regarding the substance of such meetings either during or after the course of such meetings.

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