

Book Policy Manual

Section 0000 Bylaws

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0162 - **QUORUM**

Five (5) members present at a meeting shall constitute a quorum when no Board vacancies exist; whenever the Board has one (1) or more vacancies, the quorum during that time shall be a majority of the members on the Board. No Board 7 and no business shall be conducted in the absence of a quorum.

Two (2) forms of a quorum should be avoided.

- A. "Negative Quorum" A gathering of less than one-half (1/2) of the members of the Board may be a meeting if that group possesses the power to defeat action taken by the Board of Education.
- B. "Walking Quorum" Less than one-half (1/2) of the members of the Board gathered together may constitute a meeting if it is one (1) of a series of meetings through which agreement on an issue is reached. A series of e-mail messages, phone calls or other communications between Board members could be a "meeting" or "walking quorum" because, while the Board members have not physically convened, they can effectively communicate and exercise the authority otherwise vested in the Board.

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