

GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10

DATE OF MEETING: September 12, 2023

TITLE: Study of Governing Board Policy Documents:

Policy IGA (Curriculum Development)
Policy IGD (Curriculum Adoption)

Policy IJJ (Textbook/Supplementary Materials Selection and Adoption)

Policy JLCD (Medicines/Administering Medicines to Students)

BACKGROUND:

This agenda item is provided to permit the Governing Board to review proposed revisions to policy recommended to address the changes in law that will become effective later this month. The reason for each proposed change to policy is outlined in detail below. In addition, the proposed language change to each policy can be reviewed in the attached draft policy documents with recommended additions set forth in blue and recommended deletions are set forth in red strikethrough.

Policy IGA (Curriculum Development),
Policy IGD (Curriculum Adoption), and
Policy IJJ (Textbook/Supplementary Materials Selection and Adoption)

Authorized textbook review and selection committees are subject to open meeting law. A.R.S. §15-721(F) or 15-722(B). There have been multiple open meeting law complaints in 2021, 2022, and 2023 about curriculum adoption committees that were not posted and did not follow open meeting law. There are some groups of district professionals meeting to discuss curriculum that would not be a "board authorized committee" and therefore would not be subject to open meeting law. However, policy has always authorized boards to create curriculum committees, and the clear reading of the statutes subject these types of committees to open meeting law.

Policy JLCD (Medicines/Administering Medicines to Students)

A.R.S. §15-160.02 derives from Seizure Safe Schools legislation (SB 1654-2022). The model legislation began in Kentucky in 2018 when one teen, Lyndsey Crunk, recognized a need to educate teachers and school professionals on the prevalence of people living with epilepsy and seizures. Arizona passed its model legislation in 2022 after it was introduced by the Epilepsy Foundation and later amended with help from ASBA's Governmental Relations team.

Note: the purpose of this bill, as stated by its creators, was to educate school staff about epilepsy. The bill requires training and the dissemination of information. The training is not a requirement that any individual administers medication in any scenario. The requirements as required by law are instituted in this model policy and regulation. If an individual is unable to proceed with their training during an emergency, they should call 911.

RECOMMENDATION:

This item is presented for the Board's study at this time. The Board may direct further revisions as it feels are appropriate. Administration recommends these changes be reviewed by the Governing Board at this meeting and considered for approval at the October 3, 2023, Board meeting.

TIATED BY:	
	Date: September 5, 2023

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