

**INTERNATIONAL FALLS PUBLIC SCHOOLS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL  
DISTRICT #361**

**BOARD POLICY      203  
Operation of the School Board – Governing Rules**

**Adopted**\_\_\_\_**By Reference**\_  
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**203      OPERATION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD – GOVERNING RULES**

**I.      PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to provide governing rules for the conduct of meetings of the school board.

**II.      GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

An orderly school board meeting allows school board members to participate in discussion and decision of school district issues. Rules of order allow school board members the opportunity to review school-related topics, discuss school business items, and bring matters to conclusion in a timely and consistent manner.

**III.      RULES OF ORDER**

Rules of order for school board meetings shall be as follows:

- A.      Minnesota statutes where specified;
- B.      Specific rules of order as provided by the school board consistent with Minnesota statutes; and
- C.      *Robert's Rules of Order* (latest edition) where not inconsistent with A. and B., above.

**[NOTE: The editions of Robert's Rules of Order differ, so specifying the edition used is important.]**

**Legal References:**      Minn. Stat. Ch. 13D (Open Meeting Law)  
                                 Minn. Stat. § 123B.09, Subds. 6, 7, and 10 (Boards of Independent School Districts)  
                                 Minn. Stat. § 123B.14 (Officers of Independent School Districts)

**Cross References:**      None