Committee of the Whole

The Woodbridge Board of Education shall conduct its Curriculum Committee as a Committee of the Whole.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-218 Officers. Meetings.

10-224 Duties of the Secretary.

10-225 Salaries of Secretary and Attendance Officers.

Formulation, Adoption, Amendment, and Deletion of Policies

Within the context of current law, the District shall be guided by Board-adopted written policies that are given appropriate distribution and are accessible to staff members, parents, students, and community residents.

Legally referenced policies contain provisions from federal and state statutes and regulations, case law, and other legal authority that together form the framework for local decision making and implementation. These policies are binding on the District until the cited provisions are repealed, revised, or superseded by legislative, regulatory, or judicial action.

No policy or regulation, or any portion thereof, shall be operative if it is found to be in conflict with applicable law.

If any portion of a policy or its application to any person or circumstance is found to be invalid, that invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of policy that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application; and to this end the provisions of this policy manual are declared to be severable.

Policies, and policy amendments may be initiated by the Superintendent, Board members, school personnel, or community citizens, but generally shall be recommended for the Board's consideration by the Superintendent.

The Board shall designate one copy of the policy manual as the official policy manual of the district. The official copy shall be kept in the Superintendent's Office as well as accessible through the district web site. and the Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for its accuracy and integrity. and shall maintain a historical record of the district's policy manual.

Local policies may be adopted or amended by a majority of the Board at any regular or special meeting, provided that Board members have advance written notice of the proposed change and that it has been placed on the agenda for such meeting.

Local policies become effective upon Board adoption or at a future date designated by the Board at the time of adoption. Policy proposals and suggested amendments to, revisions of, or deletions of existing policies shall normally be submitted to all members of the Board of Education by the Superintendent in writing prior to a regular Board meeting in which such proposed policies, amendments, revisions or deletions shall be read and discussed. Except for emergency situations, policies will be adopted, amended, or deleted after consideration at two regular meetings of the Board.

After Board review of legally referenced policies and adoption of local policies, the new material shall be incorporated into the official policy manual and into other localized policy manuals maintained by the District. If discrepancies occur between different copies of the manual distributed throughout the district, the version contained in the official policy manual shall be regarded as authoritative.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-221 Boards of Education to Prescribe Rules, Policies and Procedures.

Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised

Formulation, Adoption, Amendment, Deletion of Bylaws

Proposed new bylaws and suggested amendments to or revisions of existing bylaws shall be adopted by a majority vote of all members of the Woodbridge Board of Education. This will usually occur during the second of two regularly scheduled meetings of the Board not less than four (4) weeks apart. The proposed additions, amendments, or revisions shall be described in writing in the Board member packet prepared for the first Board meeting at which the changes shall be considered by the Board.

Bylaw proposals and suggested amendments to, revisions of, or deletions of existing bylaws shall normally be submitted to all members of the Board of Education by the Superintendent in writing prior to a regular Board meeting in which such proposed bylaws, amendments, revisions or deletions shall be read and discussed. Except for emergency situations, bylaws will be adopted, amended, or deleted after consideration at two regular meetings of the Board. The agenda shall be marked to indicate such matters. When a bylaw is placed on the agenda for the second consecutive meeting, a motion either to adopt or not to adopt the bylaw or the proposed bylaw changes is necessary for discussion. If the discussion results in a suggestion for change, such changes will be included in the second reading of the bylaw prior to adoption. Any bylaw of the Board may be adopted, amended or deleted at any regular meeting by a majority vote of all members of the Board, provided that such proposal shall have been given to the Board at the previous regular meeting.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-221 Boards of Education to Prescribe Rules, Policies and Procedures.

Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised

Formulation, Adoption, Amendment, and Deletion of Administrative Regulations

The Woodbridge Board of Education normally does not adopt administrative regulations unless specifically required to do so by law, or unless requested to do so by the Superintendent of Schools. When required by law to adopt administrative regulations, the Woodbridge Board of Education adopted regulations shall be by the same procedure as that specified for policies in the Bylaw numbered 9311, regarding formulation, adoption, amendment and deletion of policies.

The Board reserves the right to review and direct revisions of administrative regulations should, in its judgment, the Board find a regulation to be inconsistent with the policies adopted by the Woodbridge Board of Education.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-221 Boards of Education to Prescribe Rules, Policies and Procedures.

Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised