Electronic Participation

A Board member may attend a meeting by audio or audio-visual connection if he or she is prevented from physically attending because of: (1) personal illness or disability, (2) employment purposes or District business, (3) a family emergency, or (4) other emergency. Therefore, the Board authorizes that the Chairperson or presiding officer may allow Board members to participate electronically in a Board meeting if there is good cause why the Board member cannot attend in person and the request is received at least 24 hours in advance, unless unexpected circumstances prevent such advance notice, to allow a good quality electronic connection to be established. Members who participate in a Board meeting through electronic means shall be counted in the quorum. The location of the meeting must be in the normal location at Brookfield High School Library/Media Center to allow the public to adequately monitor the meeting. When a regular Board meeting is held in any other location electronic participation will not be permitted. Due to security concerns, electronic participation in closed executive sessions will not be permitted.

- 1. Minutes of all meetings shall specify if a member was physically present or present electronically. Lack of such a specification shall be deemed to indicate that the member in question was physically present.
- 2. Electronic participation may only occur if the member is prevented from physically attending by (1) personal illness or disability, (2) employment purposes, (3) a family emergency, or (4) another emergency.
- 3. When a member attends a meeting electronically, all votes shall be by roll call vote. A member who is attending electronically must identify him/herself by name and be recognized by the Chairperson before speaking.

(cf. 9321 – Time, Place, Notification of Meetings)

(cf. 9322 – Public and Executive Sessions)

(cf. 9325.1 – Quorum)

(cf. 9325.4 – Voting Method)

(cf. 9326 – Minutes)

(cf. 9327 – Electronic Mail Communications)

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

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