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Section 1 - Authority:

The Supervision of the public schools of this district shall be conducted by the Board of Education, ("Board"), which shall be a body corporate and which is constituted and is governed by Title 18A: Education, of the New Jersey Statutes.

Section 2 - Powers:

The Board shall make, amend and repeal rules not inconsistent with Title 18A or with the rules of the State Board, for its own government and the transaction of its business and for the government and management of the public schools and the public school property of the district and for the employment, regulation of conduct and discharge of its employees. The Board shall perform all acts and do all things, consistent with law and the rules of the State Board, necessary for the proper conduct, equipment and maintenance of the public schools of this district.

The Board shall act as the general agent of the State in carrying out the will of the people of this district in the matter of public education. It shall establish educational goals for the children of this district and supervise a program of education designed to meet those goals. The Board shall be responsible for enforcing mandatory laws and shall consider and accept or reject the provisions of permissive laws. In all cases where State law does not provide nor prohibit, the Board shall consider itself the agent responsible for establishing, maintaining and appraising the public education activities of this school district.

The Board recognizes that a member of the Board individually has no authority of any kind in connection with the schools of his/her district except that the President as such is required to sign orders, contracts, and so forth. There are times however when emergency decisions must be made and the following procedures are established to guide the Board in its decisions.

When in the opinion of any Board member or the administrator an action is immediately necessary due to an emergency, the following procedures should be followed. (An emergency is defined as one, which is necessary for the operation of the school):



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- 1. The Board President shall be called. If she/he is not available, the Vice President shall be called.
- 2. The President shall contact the Superintendent and the Superintendent shall contact any other administrator (as necessary and appropriate) and a consultation shall determine the nature of the emergency which might necessitate an immediate purchase of equipment, etc.
- 3. The Board President shall decide if the entire Board should be summoned for a special meeting, the action can wait for a regular Board meeting, or the appropriate committee should take action. His/her decision of which course to take shall be guided by the fact that a majority of all members of the Board is best if possible.

N.J.S.A. 18A:10-1; 18A:11-1; 18A:16-1; 18A:20-1; 18A:27-4; 18A:29-4.1

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