Board Voting and Abstentions [ISBA Code: 1304]

It is the duty of every Board member to vote on each action item. Votes on all motions and resolutions shall be by the roll call method. No secret ballots or proxy votes shall be used.

All motions shall be carried by a majority of the members present.

Board members also have the responsibility to avoid the appearance of impropriety by avoiding any conflicts of interest. In such instances, when a board member believes a conflict of interest exists, the board member may abstain from voting. A board member should not abstain from voting except in particular cases such as a conflict of interest.

Failure to vote, refusal to vote, or an abstention shall be considered as assent to the will of the majority. If this results in a tie vote, the motion or resolution shall be considered to have been defeated.

Approval of a contract or the sale of bonds requires at least four affirmative votes.

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