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Revisions to Board Governance Policies (Section B)

March 24, 2015 Governing Board Meeting

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General Counsel

Background

- Board approved revisions to most of Section B policies
- Reviewed and provided feedback on remaining policies on February 5, 2015
 - BBAA, Board Member Authority and Responsibilities
 - BCA, Board Member Ethics
 - BDG, School Attorney

BCA, Board Member Ethics

- Board members were invited to provide any additional feedback to be incorporated in revisions for consideration
- No additional revisions requested for Board Member Ethics
 - Board members indicated they liked all of the language

BDG, School Attorney

- Revisions to School Attorney:
 - Outside counsel
 - Deleting “Governing Board members” from authority to contact outside counsel

BBAA, Board Member Authority and Responsibilities

- Requested revisions include:
 - “No Board member shall request from the Superintendent any staff project that entails over two (2) hours of staff work without seeking approval of the Board. This rule pertains only to an individual research request by an individual Board member.”
 - “The Superintendent’s responses to such request shall be provided to all Board members. If an individual Board member directly requests information of a staff member, the Board member shall copy the Superintendent on such requests.”

BBAA, Board Member Authority and Responsibilities

- Requested revisions include:
 - “In the spirit of transparency and good governance, Board members shall not text, email or otherwise engage in electronic communication during Board meetings, which includes Executive Session, except to access information stored on the device or the District’s electronic network. Board members will conduct all electronic communications regarding District business through District email accounts.”

Discussion