

**STAPLES MOTLEY ISD #2170 POLICY #203  
OPERATION OF SCHOOL BOARD – GOVERNING RULES**

**I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to provide governing rules for the conduct of meetings of the school board.

**II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

An orderly school board meeting allows school board members to participate in discussion and decision of school district issues. Rules of order allow school board members the opportunity to review school-related topics, discuss school business items, and bring matters to conclusion in a timely and consistent manner.

**III. RULES OF ORDER**

Rules of order for school board meetings shall be as follows:

- A. Minnesota statutes where specified;
- B. Specific rules of order as provided by the school board consistent with Minnesota statutes; and
- C. *Robert's Rules of Order, Revised* (latest edition) where not inconsistent with A. and B., above.

***[Note: The editions of Robert's Rules of Order differ, so specifying the edition used is important.]***

***Legal References:*** Minn. Stat. Ch. 13D (Open Meeting Law)  
Minn. Stat. § 123B.09, Subds. 6, 7, and 10 (School Board Matters)  
Minn. Stat. § 123B.14 (Officers)

***Cross References:***