

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: August 21, 2025
TOPIC: #7.1 –Approval of Proposed Updates to Policies
PRESENTER: Julie Nielsen, Superintendent
REFERENCE TO POLICY/STATUTE: Policy 208

A. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- The following policies have been reviewed and revised to reflect updates in Minnesota Statute, definition of terms, legal references, and cross references.
- Board Policy Committee members reviewed the policies and made recommendations for board information and subsequent action.
- Policies were reviewed at the August 7, 2025 Workshop meeting.
- Current policies are located online at <https://www.sowashco.org/about-us/school-board/school-board-policies>
- The suggested changes are listed below.

203 Operations of the School Board	Updated legal references and remove section IV since this is defined by statute and not in MSBA Model policy.
203.1 School Board Procedures – Rules of Order	Delete and add to Procedure 203. There is no MSBA Model Policy.
203.5 School Board Meeting Agenda	Delete. There is no MSBA Model Policy.
203.6 Consent Agenda	Delete and add to Procedure 203.
205 Open Meetings and Closed Meetings	Updates to grammar and legal references.
206 Public Participation in School Board Meetings/Complaints about Persons at School Board Meetings & Data Privacy Considerations	Updates to grammar and legal references.
207 Public Hearings	Updates to grammar and legal references.



