

SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

REGULAR MEETINGS

The St. Mary Parish School Board has the authority to hold as many School Board meetings per month as the School Board deems necessary. Regular meetings of the School Board shall be held on the first Thursday of each month, at 5:30 p.m. in the Evans Medine meeting room of the School Board Central Office Complex, Centerville, Louisiana, except when a meeting date falls on a legal holiday, in which event the School Board shall announce, in its regular meeting prior to the holiday, the next meeting date. As circumstances may dictate, the time, the date, and the place for regular meetings may be changed by the School Board.

SPECIAL MEETINGS

All special meetings shall be called by the School Board, and the date, time, place and purpose shall be announced at least three (3) days prior to all special meetings.

At any regular or special meeting of the School Board, no business may be transacted which does not come within the purpose or purposes set forth in the agenda for the meeting, except upon unanimous approval of the members of the School Board present at that meeting. The motion to add an item not on the agenda shall identify the item with reasonable specificity, including the purpose for the proposed addition to the agenda, and shall be entered into the minutes. In keeping with state law and School Board policy, prior to any vote to add an item to the agenda, there shall be an opportunity for public comment on the motion.

The public and news media shall be informed of the dates of all regular and special meetings. All meetings shall be open to the public except meetings that meet the criteria described in Louisiana law for being closed meetings.

Official actions or decisions shall be made only in official meetings of the School Board. No member of the School Board, nor any committee of the School Board, shall have the power to act in the name of the School Board outside of official School Board meetings unless so designated by a majority of the School Board duly convened.

A simple majority of School Board members present and voting may adopt any motion or any policy and/or regulation; otherwise a majority of the full membership or more is needed when specifically required by law or School Board policy.

QUORUM

A quorum for the transaction of official business shall consist of a majority of the members of the School Board. When a quorum of the School Board has convened and neither the President nor the Vice-President is present, the members shall elect one of their number to serve as President for that meeting.

Official meetings of the School Board may only be held when a quorum is present.

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Ref: La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§17:81, 42:12, 42:13, 42:14, 42:15, 42:16, 42:17, 42:19,
42:20, 42:24, 42:25; Board minutes, 3-31-70, 10-9-08, 6-14-18, 2-5-26.