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PROPOSED REVISIONS Update 98 and Policy Review Recommendations

BOARD AUTHORITY

The Board has final authority to determine and interpret the policies that govern the schools and, subject to the mandates and limits imposed by state and federal authorities, has complete and full control of the District. Board action shall be taken only in meetings that comply with the Open Meetings Act. [See BE(LEGAL)]

TRANSACTING BUSINESS

When a proposal is presented to the Board, the Board shall hold a discussion shall be held and reach a decision reached. Although there may be dissenting votes, which are a matter of public record, each Board decision shall be an action by the whole Board binding upon each member.

INDIVIDUAL
AUTHORITY FOR
COMMITTING THE
BOARD

Board members as individuals shall not exercise authority over the District, its property, or its employees. Except for appropriate duties and functions of the Board President, an individual member may act on behalf of the Board only with the express authorization of the Board. Without such authorization, no individual member may commit the Board on any issue. [See BDAA]

INDIVIDUAL ACCESS TO INFORMATION

An individual Board member, acting in his or her official capacity, shall have the right to seek information pertaining to District fiscal affairs, business transactions, governance, and personnel matters, including information that properly may be withheld from members of the general public in accordance with the public information chapter Public Information Chapter of the Government Code. [See GBA]

LIMITATIONS

If a Board member is not acting in his or her official capacity, the Board member has no greater right to District records than a member of the public.

An individual Board member shall not have access to confidential student records unless the member is acting in his or her official capacity and has a legitimate educational interest in the records in accordance with policies FL(LEGAL) and (LOCAL) policy FL.

A Board member who is denied access to a record under this provision may ask the Board to determine whether the record should be provided or may file a request under the Public Information Act. [See GBAA]

REQUESTS FOR RECORDS

Individual members An individual Board member shall- seek access to records or request copies of records from the Superintendent.

Records provided at the request of any Trustee or Trustees Board member shall be made available to all other Board members of

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the Board subject to the specific limitations stated at (see LIMITATIONS, above.).

In accordance with law, the District shall track and report any requests under this provision, including the cost of responding to one or more requests by any individual Board member for 200 or more pages of material in a 90-day period.

REQUESTS FOR REPORTS

Individual members No individual Board member shall not direct or require District employees to prepare reports derived from an analysis of information in existing District records or to create a new record compiled from information in existing District records. Directives to the Superintendent or other custodian of records regarding the preparation of reports shall be by Board action.

CONFIDENTIALITY

At the time a Board members are member is provided access to confidential records or to reports compiled from such records, the Superintendent shall advise each Trusteethe Board member of his or herthe responsibility to comply with confidentiality requirements.

REFERRING COMPLAINTS If employees, parents, students, or other members of the public bring concerns or complaints to an individual Board member, he or she shall refer them to the Superintendent or another appropriate administrator, who shall proceed according to the applicable complaint policy. [See DGBA(LOCAL) policies at DGBA, FNG, and FNG(LOCAL)]

GF]When the concern or complaint directly pertains to the Board's own actions or policy, for which there is no administrative remedy or if a, the Board member is concerned that there has been no administrative remedy, the Trustee may request that the issue be placed on the agenda.

VENDOR CONTACT WITH BOARD MEMBERS A Board member who is contacted by an individual who is engaged in or seeking to engage in business with the District shall refer that individual to the Superintendent's office for administrative response through the review/appeal process outlined in GF(LOCAL).