1430 VOTING

Quorum

A majority of the actual membership of the Board, excluding vacant seats, shall constitute a quorum, except where the Board of Education appoints a panel of two (2) or more members to act on behalf of the Board as provided by law. If a quorum cannot be present at any meeting, the chairperson shall postpone the meeting until such time as a quorum can be present.

A majority vote of the quorum may pass a resolution.

Voting Method

Before the Board may vote on any matter, there must be a motion and a second.

The chair may vote on all questions.

All voting shall be by a voice vote unless a record vote is requested by any member or a motion is passed to vote by signed ballot. If a vote is made by signed ballot, the minutes of the Board shall show the vote of each member voting, and the ballots shall be available for public inspection immediately following the meeting. Voting by proxy shall not be permitted.

In voice voting, the question shall be put substantially as follows: "Those in favor say aye," and after the affirmative vote is expressed, "opposed no," after which the chair shall announce the result. If a division on a vote is requested, the chair shall ask that the members be counted for and against the proposition under consideration.

Duty to Vote

Each member shall be permitted to abstain from voting by so indicating when the vote is taken. In all cases, an abstention from voting shall be recorded as an affirmative vote unless the abstaining member is excused by majority vote or consensus of the remaining members present.

LEGAL REF: <u>G.S. 115C-36</u>, <u>-45</u>, <u>-47</u>; <u>143-318.12</u>; <u>-318.13</u>; <u>Iredell County Bd. of Educ. v.</u> Dickson, 235 N.C. 359 (1952), Edwards v. Yancey County Bd. of Educ., 235 N.C. 345 (1952)

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