THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOUTH ORANGE AND MAPLEWOOD, NEW JERSEY

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The Board of Education will give notice of all meetings in accordance with law.

Public Notice

Annual notice of the year's regular meeting schedule shall be posted publicly in the Board office, delivered to two newspapers designated by the Board, and filed with the clerks of South Orange and Maplewood within seven (7) days of the annual reorganization meeting, to the extent that it is known at that time. Any revisions to the schedule shall be noticed in the same way within seven (7) days of the revision. The schedule of meetings shall be posted and maintained throughout the year.

The Board Secretary shall notify, in writing and no later than forty-eight hours in advance of the meeting, each Board member and each person who has duly requested such notification of the time, date, location, and, to the extent it is known, the agenda of any regular, special, or rescheduled meeting. Forty-eight (48) hour notice shall also be posted in the Board Office, delivered to two newspapers designated by the Board, and filed with the clerks of South Orange and Maplewood, except that forty-eight (48) hour notice is not required where the time, date, and location of the meeting has been published in the annual list of meetings approved by the Board in accordance with law.

Upon the affirmative vote of three-quarters of the members present, the Board may meet in the absence of adequate notice, provided that discussion and action is limited to specific and unforeseen or unforeseeable matters of such urgency and importance that delay for the provision of notice would be likely to result in substantial harm to the public interest and that notice is given as soon as possible after the call of the meeting in accordance with the provisions of law and this bylaw.

Personal Notice of Meeting

The Board shall provide personal notice in writing to an adult pupil, the parent or legal guardian of a minor pupil, an employee or officer of this district, or a prospective employee whose privacy may be invaded or whose employment may be affected by the Board's deliberations in private session. Such personal notice will include the date and time of the private meeting, the subject or subjects scheduled for discussion at the private meeting, and the right of the individual given notice to request that the discussions be conducted at a public meeting. Reasonable effort shall be made to ensure that personal notice will be given no less than three (3) days in advance of the private meeting.

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A written request for public discussion must be signed by the person making the request and must be submitted to the Board Secretary prior to the commencement of the meeting. Any such properly submitted request will be granted as appropriate. In the event that one or more, but fewer than all, of a group of persons whose employment will be discussed request a public meeting, the discussion regarding the person or persons who have submitted the request will be severed from the rest and will be conducted publicly.

A discussion held in public by reason of the written request of an individual will be conducted at a regularly scheduled meeting for which annual notice has been given or at a meeting for which adequate public notice has been given in accordance with law.

Nothing in this bylaw will permit an employee to request or the Board to grant the public discussion of tenure charges or permit the public disclosure of information regarding a disabled pupil.

N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.; 10:4-8d; 10:4-9b

N.J.S.A. 18A:6-11; 18A:10-6 N.J.A.C. 6:3 1.2 6A:32-3.1

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