

Board of Trustees

1 BP 2315 CLOSED SESSIONS

2 References:

3 Education Code, Section 72122;
4 Government Code, Sections 54954.5, 54956.8, 54956.9, 54957, 54957.6, and
5 11125.4

6 Closed sessions of the Board of Trustees shall only be held as permitted by applicable
7 legal provisions including but not limited to the Brown Act, California Government Code,
8 and California Education Code. Matters discussed in closed session may include:

- 9 • the appointment, employment, evaluation of performance, discipline, or dismissal
10 of a public employee;
- 11 • charges or complaints brought against a public employee by another person or
12 employee, unless the accused public employee requests that the complaints or
13 charges be heard in an open session. The employee shall be given at least twenty-
14 four (24) hours written notice of the closed session;
- 15 • advice of counsel on pending litigation, or the initiation of litigation, as defined by
16 law;
- 17 • consideration of tort liability claims as part of the District's membership in any joint
18 powers agency formed for purposes of insurance pooling;
- 19 • real property transactions;
- 20 • threats to public security;
- 21 • review of the District's position regarding labor negotiations and giving instructions
22 to the District's designated negotiator;
- 23 • discussion of student disciplinary action, with final action taken in public;
- 24 • conferring of honorary degrees;
- 25 • consideration of gifts from a donor who wishes to remain anonymous; and
26 • to consider its response to a confidential final draft audit report from the Bureau of
27 State Audits.

28 The agenda for each regular or special meeting shall contain information regarding
29 whether a closed session will be held and shall identify the topics to be discussed in any
30 closed session in the manner required by law.

31 After any closed session, the Board of Trustees shall reconvene in open session before
32 adjourning and shall announce any actions taken in closed session and the vote or
33 abstention of every member present.

34 All matters discussed or disclosed during a lawfully held closed session and all notes,
35 minutes, records, or recordings made of such a closed session are confidential and shall

36 remain confidential unless and until required to be disclosed by action of the Board of
37 Trustees or by law.

38 If any person requests an opportunity to present complaints to the Board of Trustees
39 about a specific employee, such complaints shall first be presented to the
40 President/Superintendent. Notice shall be given to the employee against whom the
41 charges or complaints are directed. If the complaint is not resolved at the administrative
42 level, the matter shall be scheduled for a closed session of the Board of Trustees. The
43 employee shall be given at least twenty-four (24) hours written notice of the closed
44 session, and shall be given the opportunity to request that the complaints be heard in an
45 open meeting of the Board of Trustees.

46 Office of Primary Responsibility: President/Superintendent

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