Bylaws of the Board BB 9011(a)

DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL/PRIVILEGED INFORMATION

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of maintaining the confidentiality of information acquired as part of a Board member's official duties. Confidential/privileged information shall be released only to the extent authorized by law.

Disclosure of Closed Session Information

A Board member shall not disclose confidential information acquired during a closed session to a person not entitled to receive such information, unless a majority of the Board has authorized its disclosure. (Government Code 54963)

Confidential information means a communication made in a closed session that is specifically related to the basis for the Board to meet lawfully in closed session. (Government Code 54963)

The Board shall not take any action against any person for disclosing confidential information, nor shall the disclosure be considered a violation of the law or Board policy, when the person is: (Government Code 54963)

- 1. Making a confidential inquiry or complaint to a district attorney or grand jury concerning a perceived violation of law, including disclosing facts necessary to establish the illegality or potential illegality of a Board action that has been the subject of deliberation during a closed session
- 2. Expressing an opinion concerning the propriety of legality of Board action in closed session, including disclosure of the nature and extent of the illegal or potentially illegal action
- 3. Disclosing information that is not confidential

Other Disclosures

A Board member shall not disclose, for pecuniary gain, confidential information acquired in the course of his/her official duties. Confidential information includes information that is not a public record subject to disclosure under the Public Records Act, information that by law may not be disclosed, or information that may have a material financial effect on the Board member. (Government Code 1098)

Disclosures excepted from this prohibition are those made to law enforcement officials or to the joint legislative audit committee when reporting on improper governmental activities. (Government Code 1098)

Policy Reference Disclaimer: These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional

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resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

State References	Description
Ed. Code 35010	Control of district; prescription and enforcement of rules
Ed. Code 35146	Closed sessions regarding suspensions
Evid. Code 1040	Privilege for official information
Gov. Code 1098	Disclosure of confidential information
Gov. Code 3549.1	Meeting and negotiating in public educational employment
Gov. Code 54950-54963	The Ralph M. Brown Act
Gov. Code 54956.8	Open meeting laws
Gov. Code 54956.9	Closed meeting for pending litigation
Gov. Code 54957	Complaints against employees; right to open session
Gov. Code 54957.1	Subsequent public report and roll call vote: employee matters in
	closed session
Gov. Code 54957.5	Public records
Gov. Code 54957.6	Closed session; representatives with employee organization
Gov. Code 54957.7	Reasons for closed session
Gov. Code 54963	Unauthorized disclosure of confidential information
Gov. Code 7920.000-7930.170	California Public Records Act

Management Resources References

Description

Attorney General Opinion 80 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 231 (1997)
CSBA Publication Professional Governance Standards

Website <u>CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services</u>

Website <u>CSBA</u>

Cross References Description

0450	Comprehensive Safety Plan
1100	Communication with the Public
1312.3	Uniform Complaint Procedures
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4112.5 Criminal Record Check
4112.6 Personnel Files

4119.23 Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information

4119.42 Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens

4143 Negotiations/Consultation

4134.1 Public Notice – Personnel Negotiations

4212.5 Criminal Record Check

4212.6 Personnel Files

4219.23 Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information

4219.42 Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens

4243 Negotiations/Consultation

4243.1 Public Notice-Personnel Negotiations

4312.5 Criminal Record Check

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5125 Student Records 9000 Role of the Board

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