

BEC - NON-PUBLIC SESSIONS

Category: *REQUIRED*

Related Policies: *BEDG*

The Board may meet in non-public session for any of the purposes set out in RSA 91-A:3. **Non-public sessions may only occur after a duly noticed public meeting has been called to order, and before that meeting is adjourned.** Once the public meeting has been convened, the Board may enter non-public session at any time during such meeting if a majority of the Board, by roll-call vote, find that sufficient grounds under 91-A:3, II exists. A non-public session may occur during a duly notice meeting irrespective of whether a non-public session appeared on either the meeting notice or meeting agenda.

The motion calling for a non-public session will state the matter(s) to be discussed and will state the statutory reason(s) for entering a non-public session.

The Board shall record minutes of all non-public sessions, and such minutes shall be made available and or “sealed”, in accordance with RSA 91-A:3. Required content and availability regarding minutes of non-public sessions are described in Board policy BEDG – Minutes.

The minutes of non-public session constitute the record of that session. Information discussed in non-public sessions shall remain confidential except to the extent the same is required to be disclosed subject to applicable law or court order, or as authorized by the Board.

The Board shall require the presence of the Superintendent or his/her designee (see N.H. Dept. of Education Rule Ed 303.01(f)), except those non-public sessions that pertain to the Superintendent’s employment.

Each year the Superintendent is directed to obtain and provide to each Board member copies of any NHSBA Non-Public Session Checklist, and update the same during the year as made available by NHSBA

District Policy History:

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Legal References:

NH Statutes

RSA 42:1-a

Oaths of Town Officers: Manner of Dismissal, Breach of Confidentiality

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RSA 91-A:3

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RSA 91-A:4

Minutes and Records Available for Public Inspection

NH Dept of Ed Regulation

NH Dept of Ed Rules Ed 303.01 (j) Substantive Duties of School Boards; Sexual Harassment Policy

Legal References Disclaimer: These references are not intended to be considered part of this policy, nor should they be taken as a comprehensive statement of the legal basis for the Board to enact this policy, nor as a complete recitation of related legal authority. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.