

Bylaws

Egg Harbor Township Board of Education

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BYLAWS, POLICIES AND REGULATIONS

The Board of Education shall exercise its rule-making power by adopting bylaws and policies for the organization and operation of the school district.

“Regulations” for the purpose of this Bylaw are only those regulations that are required to be adopted by the Board.

Adoption, Amendment, and Repeal

Bylaws and policies may be adopted, amended, and repealed at any meeting of the Board, provided the proposed adoption, amendment, or repeal has been proposed and approved at a previous meeting of the Board.

The Board may at its organization meeting and by a majority vote of those present and voting readopt existing bylaws, policies and regulations without prior notice.

The Board may, under emergency circumstances, suspend the operation of a bylaw, policy or regulation and adopt, amend, or repeal a bylaw, policy or regulation without prior notice. The emergency adoption, amendment, or repeal of a bylaw, policy or regulation shall terminate at the next meeting of the Board or at such earlier date as may be specified by the Board unless further acted upon by the Board.

The adoption, amendment, repeal, or suspension of a bylaw, policy or regulation shall be recorded in the minutes of the Board. Any policy or part of a policy that is superseded by a term in a negotiated agreement or by a subsequently adopted policy shall no longer be in force and effect as a policy.

Promulgation and Distribution

An electronic manual of bylaws and policies shall be maintained and made available electronically to each Board member, the Superintendent, the Board Secretary, the Board Attorney, each building principal, and other individuals designated by the Superintendent.

The Superintendent shall institute a plan for the orderly promulgation of policies to staff members who are affected by them and shall provide staff members with access to an up-to-date electronic manual of Board bylaws, policies or regulations.

Development of Bylaws and Policies

Bylaws and policies will be developed and considered by the Board in accordance with the

following procedure:

1. A new or revised bylaw or policy may be suggested to the Board by any Board member, the Superintendent, any staff member, or a member of the public;
2. A suggestion for a new or revised bylaw, policy or regulation may be referred, at the discretion of the majority of the Board and as appropriate to the subject, to the Superintendent, a Board committee, or a public advisory committee for study and formulation of a recommendation to the Board. Any study of a policy suggestion should consider whether the matter is adequately addressed in existing Board policy and whether the matter is more appropriately addressed by administrative regulation;
3. If a recommendation for a new or revised bylaw or policy results from referral for study, a proposed draft will be submitted to the Board for discussion and approval on first reading. Copies of the proposed draft will be made available to staff members and the public, and comment will be invited. Changes in the draft may be made, by a simple majority vote, when the draft is presented for approval on first reading;
4. The proposed draft, approved on first reading, will be submitted for adoption at the next regular meeting of the Board. Changes in the draft may be made by a simple majority vote. A change that alters the substantive meaning of the draft will constitute a new first reading, and the draft must be presented for adoption at the next succeeding Board meeting. A change that is merely editorial may be followed by a vote to adopt the new or revised bylaw or policy on second reading.

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