SCHOOL BOARD POLICY

The M.S.A.D. No. 75 Board considers policy development its most important governance function. The Board's policies are framed and meant to be interpreted in terms of federal laws and regulations, state statutes and the rules of the Maine Department of Education, State Board of Education, and other regulatory agencies at various levels of government. The Board's policies are also intended to reflect the Board's educational philosophy and instructional objectives and practices and procedures that are supported by research and generally accepted by leaders and authorities in the field of public education.

It is the intent of the Board to develop written policies that will serve as the foundation for the successful and efficient operation of M.S.A.D. No. 75 and its schools.

It is the Board's intent that its policies set goals and provide direction and guidance for administrators, staff, and students and serve as sources of information for parents, community members and others who are interested in or connected with the schools.

The Board regards policy development and review as an ongoing process. The need for a new policy or revision or deletion of an existing policy may arise from a change in law and/or regulations, modification of MSAD No. 75 vision or goals, educational research or trends, the occurrence of a significant incident or a recommendation or request from Board members, school administrators, staff, parents, students, or other interested persons.

Adoption of new or revised policies and repeal of existing policies is solely the responsibility of the Board. Policies will be adopted, amended, or repealed only by the affirmative vote of a majority of members present and voting.

Policies shall become effective upon Board adoption or at a future date designated by the Board at the time of adoption.

The Superintendent/designee will be responsible for distributing new or revised policies to Board members and for making policies accessible to school personnel, students, and the public.

Legal Reference: 20-A MRSA §1001 (1) (A)

Cross Reference: BEDF – Voting Procedure

BG-R - Policy Adoption Procedure

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