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## **VOTING METHOD AT BOARD MEETINGS**

An affirmative vote of a simple majority of the members present and voting shall be necessary for the passage of any motion, except in such instances as the law or other policies of the School Board may require a larger vote. Every member present, including the President, shall be entitled to one vote.

A member of the Board may abstain from voting on an issue before the Board, whereby his vote shall be counted neither for nor against the issue voted upon. In such cases the Board member shall state that he abstains from voting and the minutes shall reflect the member's abstention.

All voting shall be by voice, or by show of hands; a roll call vote may be requested by any member and/or ordered by the President, with the vote of each member recorded in the minutes. On voice votes, the name of each voting "nay" shall be recorded in the minutes upon his request.

Reconsideration of actions shall be according to Robert's Rules of Order, with the exception that matter voted on by the Board shall not be brought up for reconsideration more than once during the calendar year except by **two-thirds** vote of the Board.

There shall be no representation by proxy by any member at any meeting of the Board, including committee meetings. Board members present at Board meetings and all committee members present at committee meetings are authorized to speak on issues, offer and second motions, and vote. However, because of his/her position, the President shall not be permitted to offer and/or second motions. No action shall be taken by the Board except as taken above at a properly called regular or special meeting.

Ref: La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§17:81, 18:602 et seq., 42:1120.