

Introduction

Section 1. Authority — The authority of the Board of Education to govern the schools of this District derives from the Education Laws and other pertinent statutes of the State of New York. Education Law specifies that the Board shall have in all respects the superintendence, management and control of the educational affairs of the District, and, therefore, shall have all the powers reasonably necessary to exercise powers granted expressly or by implication and to discharge duties imposed expressly or by implication by this chapter or other statutes. (Ed. Law 2503-3)

Section 2. Definitions — Whenever the following terms are used in these bylaws and policies, they shall have the meaning set forth below:

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| Agreement | • Collectively negotiated contract with a recognized bargaining unit. |
| Board | • Board of Education of the City School District of the City of Newburgh. |
| Clerk | • School District Clerk. |
| Meeting | • A meeting of the Board duly convened and publicly held. |
| Policy | • A directive of the Board usually to the Superintendent as to what the Board desires for the District. |
| President | • President of the Board. |
| Regulation | • A directive of the Superintendent to his/her staff describing how to comply with a policy of the Board or a legal mandate. |
| School District | • Newburgh City School District. |
| Superintendent | • Superintendent of Schools of the School District. |
| Treasurer | • School District Treasurer. |

Section 3. Rules — The following rules shall apply to these bylaws and policies.

- a. When the masculine pronoun is used, it includes the feminine as well as the masculine. The auxiliary verbs “shall” and “must” indicate a mandated action; “may” indicates an action which is permitted but not mandated.
- b. The bylaws of the Board of Education incorporate quotations from the laws and administrative code of the State of New York. Such quotations may be substantively altered only by appropriate legislative, judicial, or administrative action

- c. If any part of this manual is made invalid by judicial decision or legislative or administrative enactment, all other parts shall remain in full effect unless and until they are amended or repealed by the Board of Education.
- d. The official record of the adoption, amendment, or repeal of the bylaws and policies of this District shall be the minutes of the Board of Education meetings. Such alterations should be duly entered in this manual.

Section 4. Citations — Citations to New York State Statute are prefaced with the name of the title and are followed by the section number (e.g., Education Law 305). Education Law may be abbreviated “Ed. Law.” Citations to the New York Code of Rules and Regulations are noted as NYCRR. Citations to FR refer to the Federal Register and CFR refers to the Code of Federal Regulations.

Section 5. References — References in the bylaws and policies of this manual to other bylaws and policies indicate the code designation of like matter in the previous codification of this District.