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BP/AR 1312.3

Uniform Complaint Procedures

(BP/AR revised) Policy and regulation updated to reflect NEW LAW (AB 2306, 2016) which authorizes the use of uniform complaint procedures for complaints alleging noncompliance with requirements related to course credit transfer and exemption from local graduation requirements for former juvenile court school students. Regulation also references NEW LAW (SB 1375, 2016) which requires districts, on or before July 1, 2017, to post information relating to Title IX, including specified information about complaint procedures, on their web sites.

BP 1340

Access to District Records

(BP revised) Policy updated to reflect NEW COURT DECISION (City of San Jose v. Superior Court) which held that using a personal account or device to send or receive communications regarding public business does not categorically exclude those records from disclosure in response to a request under the California Public Records Act and that public agencies are obliged to disclose applicable records that they can locate with reasonable effort.

BP 2121

Superintendent's Contract

(BP revised) Policy updated to reflect NEW LAW (SB 1436, 2016) which requires the board, prior to taking final action on the superintendent's salary or benefits, to orally report a summary of the recommended action during open session of a board meeting. Updated policy also clarifies that deliberations regarding the superintendent's salary or other compensation cannot be held during a special meeting of the board.

BP/AR 3551

Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Plan

(BP/AR revised) Policy and regulation updated to reflect NEW FEDERAL GUIDANCE (U.S. Department of Agriculture Memorandum SP 46-2016 and SP 23-2017) which mandates any district participating in the National School Lunch and/or Breakfast Program to adopt a written policy on meal charges, including the collection of delinquent meal charge debt, no later than July 1, 2017, and to annually communicate that policy to parents/guardians. Policy and regulation also reflect NEW STATE GUIDANCE (California Department of Education Management

Bulletin SNP-03-2017) which requires district policy to ensure that students with unrecovered or delinquent meal charge debt are not overtly identified, requires that debt collection efforts are consistent with specified cost principles, and establishes conditions for reclassifying unpaid debt as bad debt. Policy also revised to reflect the Buy American provision of federal regulations which requires districts, to the maximum extent practicable, to purchase domestically grown and processed foods.

AR 3580

District Records

(AR revised) Regulation updated to revise material related to the retention of electronic records, including records pertaining to district business that are created, saved, sent, or received on an employee's or board member's personal device, to reflect NEW COURT DECISION (City of San Jose v. Superior Court) which held that such records may be accessible to the public in accordance with the California Public Records Act.

BP/AR 4127, 4227, 4327

Temporary Athletic Team Coaches

(BP/AR revised) Policy and regulation updated to reflect NEW LAW (AB 1639, 2016) which requires coaches, beginning July 1, 2017, to complete a training course related to the nature and warning signs of sudden cardiac arrest and to retake such a course every two years thereafter. Policy also allows a coach to submit either the Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate or the Department of Justice and Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal background check. Material regarding certification of coaches' qualifications to the board and the State Board of Education moved from AR to BP.

BP 4312.1

Contracts

(BP revised) Policy updated to reflect NEW LAW (SB 1436, 2016) which requires the board, prior to taking final action on the salary or benefits of employees whose position within the district is established through an employment contract, to orally report a summary of the recommended action during open session of a board meeting. Updated policy also clarifies the limited circumstances under which salary and benefits may be discussed in closed session and the prohibition against discussing salary or other compensation during a special meeting of the board.

AR 5145.3

Nondiscrimination/Harassment

(AR revised) Regulation updated to reflect NEW LAW (SB 1375, 2016) which requires districts and schools to post specified Title

IX information on their web sites by July 1, 2017. Regulation also explains the limited impact in California of the February 22, 2017 federal action to rescind earlier guidance regarding transgender students' use of sex-segregated facilities in accordance with their gender identity.

BP 6142.93

Science Instruction

(BP revised) Policy updated to reflect the NEW CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK for science instruction adopted by the State Board of Education in November 2016 and the Next Generation Science Standards. Policy also adds new material related to the required course of study, science courses required for high school graduation, staff development, program evaluation, and safety in science laboratories.

BP 6145

Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities

(BP revised) Policy updated to reflect law which provides that a homeless student must be immediately deemed to meet all residency requirements for participation in extracurricular activities. Legal cites added for the prohibition against student fees and the requirement to annually review the policy.

BP/AR 6145.2

Athletic Competition

(BP/AR revised) Policy and regulation updated to reflect NEW LAW (AB 1639, 2016) which requires (1) distribution to student athletes and parents/guardians of information on the nature and warning signs of sudden cardiac arrest, (2) training of coaches and athletic directors on the nature and warning signs of sudden cardiac arrest, and (3) removal of a student from an athletic activity if he/she passes out or faints, until clearance is obtained from a health care provider. Policy also updated to reflect the prohibition against the use of a racially derogatory or discriminatory athletic team name, mascot, or nickname. Policy reflects law which provides that a homeless student must be immediately deemed to meet all residency requirements for participation in interscholastic athletic activities. Regulation also updated to reflect NEW LAW (SB 1375, 2016) which requires districts and schools to post specified Title IX information on their web sites by July 1, 2017.

BP/AR 6178.1

Work-Based Learning

(BP/AR revised) Policy updated to add material formerly in AR regarding board approval of any district plan for work-based learning and board approval to pay students' wages out of district

funds. Regulation updated to reflect NEW LAW (AB 2063, 2016) which authorizes the district to grant credit for satisfactory completion of a work experience education program to students ages 14-15 when the principal certifies that such credit is necessary for the student's participation in a career technical education (CTE) program. Regulation also reflects provision of AB 2063 which allows students to participate in job shadowing activities for up to 40 hours per semester, intersession, or summer school session if the principal certifies that it is necessary for participation in a CTE program.

BP 7214

General Obligation Bonds

(BP revised) Policy updated to reflect NEW LAW (SB 1029, 2016) which requires the board to adopt a debt management policy prior to issuing any debt, including a general obligation bond, and to certify to the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission that any proposed issuance of debt is consistent with the district's policy. Policy also reflects NEW LAW (AB 2116, 2016) which requires the board to obtain reasonable and informed projections of assessed valuations that take into consideration projections of assessed property valuations made by the county assessor, and NEW LAW (AB 2738, 2016) which prohibits districts from withdrawing proceeds from bond sales at any time for the purpose of making investments outside the county treasury. Policy also adds caution that some uses of bond proceeds that are specified in the Education Code for bond elections with a 66.67 percent threshold may be inconsistent with the California Constitution and encourages consultation with legal counsel.

BB 9012

Board Member Electronic Communications

(BB revised) Bylaw updated to reflect NEW COURT DECISION (City of San Jose v. Superior Court) which held that using a personal account or device to send or receive communications regarding public business does not categorically exclude those records from disclosure in response to a request under the California Public Records Act and that public agencies are obliged to disclose applicable records that they can locate with reasonable effort.

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BP 0000

Vision

(BP revised; AR 0000 deleted) Policy updated to address data sources for vision setting, set expectations that the district's vision will drive all board decisions and district operations, and align the process of reviewing the district's vision with the process for reviewing and updating the local control and accountability plan (LCAP). Regulation deleted and key concepts incorporated into the BP.

BP 0100

Philosophy

(BP revised) Policy updated to strongly encourage boards to engage in thoughtful discussions and develop their own statements of district philosophy. Sample statements expanded to add items related to nondiscrimination, the influence of teachers and educational support staff on student achievement, the importance of professional development for staff and the board, the board's responsibility to engage in advocacy, and the link between financial stability and attainment of district goals.

E 0420.41

Charter School Oversight

(E revised) Exhibit updated to add requirements for charter schools to (1) adopt a suicide prevention policy; (2) provide student athletes and their parents/guardians with information on sudden cardiac arrest, pursuant to NEW LAW (AB 1639, 2016); (3) submit verification of students' high school graduation to the Cal Grant program; (4) develop a transportation safety plan that includes procedures to ensure that a student is not left unattended on a bus, pursuant to NEW LAW (SB 1072, 2016); (5) comply with specified requirements if the charter school chooses to make an opioid antagonist available in order to provide emergency medical aid to persons suffering from an opioid overdose, pursuant to NEW LAW (AB 1748, 2016); and (6) post specified information on the school's web site related to the prohibition against discrimination under Title IX. Exhibit also reflects the repeal of state regulation containing the LCAP template.

BP 2140

Evaluation of the Superintendent

(BP revised) Policy updated to provide that the responsibility for determining the criteria, schedule, method(s), and instrument(s) for superintendent evaluation rests with the board, although input may be sought from the superintendent. Updated policy clarifies that, although the evaluation may be discussed in closed session, the law does not permit discussion or action on any proposed change in compensation during closed session, with limited exceptions. Policy also reflects court decision holding that personal performance goals are not subject to disclosure to the public unless they are specifically stated in the employment contract.

AR 4112.2

Certification

(AR revised) Regulation updated to (1) add verification of temporary certificates for employees whose credential applications are being processed by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing; (2) add section reflecting requirements for the Teaching Permit for Statutory Leave, as added by NEW STATE REGULATIONS (Register 2016, No. 34); and (3) add authorization for the holder of the Teaching Permit for Statutory Leave, Provisional Internship Permit, or Short-Term Staff Permit to provide substitute teaching services as specified.

AR 4112.61, 4212.61 4312.61

Employment References

(BP 4112.61/4212.61/4312.61 deleted; AR revised) Policy deleted and key concepts incorporated into regulation. Regulation also updated to more directly reflect state law regarding the authority of employers to communicate certain information about current or former employees to prospective employers.

BP/E 6161.1

Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials

(BP/E revised) Policy and exhibit updated to delete material defining the "sufficiency" of instructional materials as meaning that students enrolled in the same course have identical materials from the same adoption cycle, and to delete optional material reflecting the authorization to purchase the newest adopted materials for schools in deciles 1-3 of the Academic Performance Index, as those laws have repealed on their own terms. Updated policy also reflects the requirement to address the

sufficiency of instructional materials in the district's LCAP and reflects NEW LAW (AB 575, 2016) which provides that the State Board of Education may adopt instructional materials for grades K-8 at least once, but not more than twice, every eight years.

BP 7212

Mello-Roos Districts

(BP revised) Policy updated to reflect NEW LAW (AB 1666, 2016) which requires an agency that has formed a community facilities district (CFD) to post specified financial reports on its web site. Policy also expanded to include additional requirements regarding the submission of a petition to form a CFD, timelines for proceedings to form a CFD, consistency with the district's debt management policy, attendance priority for students residing within the CFD, and procedures for levying special taxes or incurring bonded indebtedness.

BB 9121

President

(BB revised) Bylaw updated to reorganize and revise the duties of the board president for consistency with information provided in CSBA's Board President's Workshop, and to add an optional component on providing training for the president to enhance his/her leadership skills.

BB 9220

Governing Board Elections

(BB revised) Bylaw updated to reflect NEW LAW (SB 415, 2015) which, effective January 1, 2018, requires a district to move the date of its board election to be concurrent with a statewide election whenever holding an election on a nonconcurrent date has resulted in a significant decrease in voter turnout, as defined. Bylaw encourages districts to review recent voter turnout and, if necessary, adopt a plan before the January 1, 2018 deadline in order to delay consolidation until November 8, 2022. Bylaw also reflects NEW LAWS which require public hearings before and after drawing maps of proposed trustee areas (AB 350, 2016), authorize districts to permit board candidates to submit candidate statements for electronic distribution (AB 2010, 2016), allow districts to establish a dedicated fund to make public funds available to persons seeking elective office under specified conditions (SB

1107, 2016), and require prospective plaintiffs who allege that the election method violates the California Voting Rights Act to notify the district before filing a complaint (AB 350, 2016).

BB 9230

Orientation

(BB revised) Bylaw updated to delete section on "Board Candidate Orientation" and move that material to BB 9220 - Governing Board Elections. Bylaw also clarifies that an orientation meeting must be conducted in open session if a majority of the members of the board will be discussing district business, provides examples of topics and materials to be addressed in the orientation, and provides information about CSBA trainings for new and first-term board members.

BB 9400

Board Self-Evaluation

(BB revised) Bylaw updated for consistency with CSBA's online board self-evaluation tool and facilitator services. Bylaw also links board self-evaluation to the identification of strategies for strengthening board performance, including board trainings.