

BP 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities

Policy updated to reflect NEW LAW (AB 30, 2015) which, effective January 1, 2017, prohibits the use of any racially derogatory or discriminatory school or athletic team name, mascot, or nickname. Policy also adds language regarding the use of uniform complaint procedures to investigate and resolve any allegation of unlawful discrimination, expands the means by which notice of the district's nondiscrimination policy will be distributed, reflects NEW LAW (SB 1375, 2016) which requires districts to post specified information regarding Title IX on their web site by July 1, 2017, and adds the district's responsibility to make its web site accessible to individuals with disabilities.

BP 1260 – Educational Foundation

An educational foundation is a separate legal entity from the district and thus its activities are not under the control of the district. Certain tax-exempt organizations may be required to register with the state Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts. As part of this registration, organizations may be required to file copies of the organization's articles of incorporation and other documents governing its operations. These documents should also define the Board's relationship with the foundation and specify how foundation directors will be chosen. The California Consortium of Education Foundations provides information on its web site regarding the creation of foundations.

BB 9000 – Role of the Board

The bylaw reflects general board roles and responsibilities consistent with CSBA's Maximizing School Board Governance series of publications and the voluntary professional governance standards adopted by the CSBA Delegate Assembly in November 2000. CSBA's governance standards also address attributes of effective boards and individual trustees; see BB 9005 - Governance Standards

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This bylaw is based on CSBA's Professional Governance Standards adopted by the CSBA Delegate Assembly in November 2000

BB 9010 - Public Statements

Bylaw updated to add concepts related to communicating the district's message in a manner that promotes public confidence in the Board's leadership, refraining from disclosing confidential information, and adhering to the same standards and protocols established for other Board communications when participating on social networking sites, blogs, or other electronic media.

BB 9011 - Disclosure of Confidential/Privileged Information

As added by AB 1945 (Ch. 1119, Statutes of 2002), Government Code 54963 specifies that a person may not disclose confidential information acquired during his/her presence in a closed session. In addition, the Attorney General has opined in 80 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 231 (1997) that a Board member may not publicly disclose information that has been received and discussed in closed session concerning pending litigation unless the information is authorized by law to be disclosed. Therefore, it is recommended that the Board consult with its legal counsel before disclosing any confidential or privileged information discussed in a closed session. For more information regarding the reporting of information discussed in closed session, see BB 9321.1 - Closed Session Actions and Reports.

BB 9012 - Board Member Electronic Communications

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.