

## **BYLAWS OF THE BOARD**

### **Electronic Participation at Board of Education Meetings**

A Board member who attends a meeting through electronic communications shall be considered present only if the member can hear everything said at the meeting and all those attending the meeting can hear everything said by that member. If the Board Chairperson determines either condition is not occurring, he/she shall terminate the Board member's attendance through electronic communications.

The Board Chair shall determine if the qualifications have been met to construe a quorum.

Electronic participation at Board meetings is subject to the discretion of the Board Chair and based upon the following conditions:

- a. Submit such request to the Board Chairperson at least three (3) school days prior to the meeting.
- b. Ensure that the remote location is quiet and free from background noise and interruptions.
- c. Board members participating electronically may cast votes. However, if a Board member electronically joins the meeting after an item of business has been opened, the remotely located member shall not participate, nor cast any vote, until the next item of business is opened.
- d. When a member attends a meeting electronically, all votes shall be by roll call vote. A member who is attending electronically must identify him/her self by name and be recognized by the Chairperson before speaking.

Discussion should be audible and discernible.

Legal References      CT General Statutes  
   1-225 Meetings of government agencies to be public

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