

## **5. In Camera Sessions**

The preservation and enhancement of the public's trust in the educational system is an important priority of the Board. The Board believes that public trust is preserved by conducting open Board meetings. Notwithstanding this belief, occasionally matters of unusual sensitivity do require the Board to hold closed sessions.

Such sessions shall be convened only by proper resolution of the Board. Such resolutions shall be recorded in the minutes of the Board and shall specify those individuals eligible to attend. The reason for the In Camera Session shall be stated prior to its approval and shall be limited to discussion pertaining to the following stated reasons:

- 5.1 Individual students;
- 5.2 Individual employees;
- 5.3 Collective bargaining issues;
- 5.4 Litigation issues;
- 5.5 Acquisition/disposal of property; and
- 5.6 Other topics that a majority of the trustees present feel should be held in private, for the public interest.

Such sessions shall be closed to the public and press. The Board shall only discuss the matters which gave rise to the closed meeting. Board members and other persons attending the session are honor bound not to disclose the details of discussion at such sessions. The Board shall receive a Human Resources report In Camera at each Board Meeting.

The Board shall, during the In Camera Session, adopt only such resolution as is required to reconvene the Board in an open, public meeting.

### In Camera Agenda Additions

A list of In Camera items will be sent out electronically the day previous to the Board Meeting to trustees, Superintendent and Secretary Treasurer. When adding items to the In Camera agenda, the Chair can add an item under a title such as "land, legal or labour matter" at the beginning of the Board meeting before requesting approval of the revised agenda.

### **Reference:**

[Education Act](#)  
[Board Procedures Regulation](#)