



BOARD POLICY

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DESERT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

COMMUNICATIONS AMONG BOARD MEMBERS

Members of the Board shall not communicate among themselves by the use of any form of communication (*e.g.*, personal intermediaries, e-mail, or other technological device) in order to hear, discuss, deliberate, or take action on any item that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. In addition, no other person shall make serial communications to Board Members.

A majority of the members of the Governing Board shall not, outside a regularly scheduled meeting, use a series of communications of any kind, directly or through intermediaries, to discuss, deliberate, or take action on any item of business that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board.

This policy shall not be construed as preventing an employee or official of the District from engaging in separate conversations or communications with members of the Board outside of a meeting in order to answer questions or provide information regarding a matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of Board, if that person does not communicate to members of the Board the comments or position of any other member or members of the Board.

This policy shall also not be construed as preventing a member of the Governing Board from engaging in separate conversations or communications on an internet-based social media platform to answer questions, provide information to the public, or to solicit information from the public regarding a matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. In doing so, a majority of the members of the Board may not use the internet-based social media platform to discuss among themselves business of a specific nature that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. However, a member of the Board shall not respond directly to any communication on an internet-based social media platform regarding a matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board that another member of the Board has made, posted, or shared.

Reference:

Government Code Section 54952.2

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