



JEFFERSON DAVIS PARISH SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA
203 E. PLAQUEMINE STREET
JENNINGS, LOUISIANA
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POLICY COMMITTEE AGENDA
MEETING TIME: Tuesday, March 14, 2023
after 5:00 p.m. Finance meeting

FILE: BCB - SCHOOL BOARD MEETING RULES OF PROCEDURE
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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL FOR DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Chairman, Russell Walker, Phillip Arceneaux, David Doise, Summer LeJeune, and Greg Patterson.

Roll Call for Policy Committee Members for determination of a quorum:

Walker, Chair	Arceneaux	Doise	S. Lejeune	Patterson
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Roll Call for Other Members present:

Bord	Bruchhaus	Dobson	Frey	Jones	P. Lejeune	Petry	Trahan
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III. VOTE TO CHANGE THE ORDER OF TOPICS TO BE ADDRESSED AND TO ADD NEW ITEMS NOT ON THE ORIGINAL AGENDA.

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IV. Adopt the following revised policy:

1. These are policy changes recommended by Forethought Consulting.

SUSPENSION: File JDD

EXPULSION: File JDE

Effective: upon approval

Discrepancies found by Forethought Consulting based on a past error made in revising and formatting these two policies.

In 2007, based on statutory changes from Act 835, Forethought replaced language in policies *JDD*, *Suspension* and *JDE*, *Expulsion*, which had allowed Boards to recommend expulsion for a student on his/her committing a fourth suspendable offense in a school year, with language that it was for the fourth offense for drugs and weapons. The new language was very confusing, as most students would be recommended for expulsion for first offense for drugs and weapons, and the legislative digest explaining the changes said Boards still had the discretion to recommend expulsion for lesser offenses. Some School Boards opted to continue to have students recommended for expulsion on the fourth offense for any suspendable offense, as did Jefferson Davis Parish School Board.

In 2021 massive revisions were made to School Boards' discipline policies based on Act 473, and in the process, in policies *JDD, Suspension* and *JDE, Expulsion*, the "suspendable" language was mistakenly changed to reflect the expulsion for drugs and weapons provisions. We have created revisions for these two policies using the original language adopted by the Board prior to 2021.

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V. DISCUSSION:

1. Graduation cords.

VI. ADJOURN

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