

# **204.09 Rules of Order**

Friday, August 11, 2023

## **RULES OF ORDER**

It shall be the responsibility of each board member to follow the rules of order stated in this policy at each meeting, and it shall be the responsibility of the presiding officer to conduct the board meeting within these rules.

The board will follow Robert's Rules of Order, Revised latest edition as a general guide and as modified by this policy and subsequent rule.

The purposes of modified rules adopted by the board are:

- To establish guidelines by which the business of the governing board can be conducted in a regular and internally consistent manner;
- To organize the meetings so all necessary matters can be brought to the board and decisions of the board can be made in an orderly and reasonable manner;
- To ensure members of the board, concentrating on the substantive issues at hand, have the necessary information to make decisions, and to ensure adequate discussion of decisions to be made; and,
- To ensure meetings and actions of the board are conducted so as to be informative to the staff and the public, and to produce a clear record of actions taken and decisions made. The Rules of Order are followed generally to produce efficient productive meetings and are not intended as a technicality for overturning the work of the board.

Legal Reference:

Neb. Statute 84-1408 to 1414

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