

## Resolution 1718R-020

### By Director Woodward

WHEREAS, Board Governance Policy 2.06, Board Meetings, states, “The quality of the public schools depends, in part, on people, the Board, and the staff working together in a constructive manner to tailor educational programs to the needs of the community. This is why the Board welcomes public participation in school affairs and encourages people to express their views on matters concerning their school system”; and

WHEREAS, Board Rule 1.06, Quorum and Meeting Presence, states, “It is the policy of the Board that the district be transparent and accountable to the public” and “every meeting of the Board or of any of its committees shall be held in a public place that is reasonably accessible to members of the public at all times, unless otherwise expressly provided by law”; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statute 119.10(3) requires that, “the board shall hold a regular meeting at least once each month at times fixed and published by the board in its rules”; and

WHEREAS, Board Rule 1.02, Regular Board Meetings, states, “Regular meetings of the Board, except the April meeting, shall be on the last Thursday of each month” and “Meetings shall be called for 6:30 p.m., unless otherwise ordered by the Board or its President”; and

WHEREAS, Board Rule 2.02, Committee Meetings, states, “Unless otherwise ordered by the respective chair, standing committees shall meet at 6:30 p.m., according to a schedule adopted by the Board on an annual basis”; and

WHEREAS, Board Rule 1.01, Organizational Meeting, states, “The Board shall elect a president from among its members to serve for one year and until a successor is chosen”; and

WHEREAS, Board Rule 1.17, President’s Duties and Powers, states, “The President shall enforce the Board’s policies relating to the order of business and the conduct of meetings”; and

WHEREAS, Board Governance Policy 2.04, Board Members’ Authority and Duties, states, “An individual board member has no legal right or power to act for the Board on his/her own, except when performing duties previously, expressly, and specifically authorized by the Board”; and

WHEREAS, There is a public expectancy of meetings of the Board and its committees being held on the dates and at the times set by the Board at its annual organizational meeting; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Milwaukee Board of School Directors hold its meetings and meetings of its committees on the dates and at the times approved by the Board during its annual organizational meeting; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That any deviation from the meeting schedule adopted at the Board’s annual organizational meeting:

- be made only in instances where the deviation serves benefit to the public at-large; and
- be made in accordance with all Board Rules and Board Governance Policies; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That any deviation initiated by the Board’s President be submitted to the Board in writing, to include the rationale for the deviation.

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