SULLIVAN SCHOOL BOARD POLICY

Policy BDG: School Attorney

The school board recognizes that the management of the school district may require procurement of professional legal services. It shall be the responsibility of the school board to employ legal counsel to assist the school board and the administration as needed in carrying out their duties.

The superintendent and school board chairperson shall have the authority to contact the school board's legal counsel when the superintendent or school board chairperson believe it is necessary for the management of the school district. A decision to seek legal advice or assistance on behalf of the school district shall normally be made by the superintendent. Such action shall occur where it is consistent with approved district policy or standard practice. Examples of standard practice include but is not limited to policy development, clarification of law and regulations, district operations, preventative consultation, and other unique issues. It may also take place as a consequence of formal school board direction.

The superintendent shall keep the board informed of matters for which legal counsel was consulted, particularly if the legal services will involve unusual expense for the school district.

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