

**SCHOOL POLICIES
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 16**

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SUBJECT	203.6	Consent Agendas
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I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to allow the use of a consent agenda.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

For a more efficient administration of School Board meetings, the School Board may use a consent agenda for passage of non-controversial items or items of a similar nature.

III. CONSENT AGENDAS

- A. The Superintendent, in consultation with the School Board chair, may place items on the consent agenda. By using a consent agenda, the School Board has consented to the consideration of certain items as a group under one motion. If a Board member would like to discuss a specific item on the consent agenda, they can request that that item be removed and added to the agenda as a discussion item.
- B. Consent items are those which usually do not require discussion or explanation prior to School Board action, are non-controversial and/or similar in content, or are those items which have already been discussed and/or explained and do not require further discussion or explanation. Such agenda items might include, but are not limited to, approval of previous minutes, approval of bills, approval of reports, etc.
- C. Items shall be removed from the consent agenda by a timely request by a School Board member for independent consideration. A request is timely if made prior to the vote on the consent agenda. The request does not require a second or a vote by the School Board. An item removed from the consent agenda will then be discussed and acted on separately immediately following the consideration of the consent agenda.

- D. Consent agenda items are approved en masse by one vote of the School Board. The consent agenda items shall be separately recorded in the minutes.

IV. RATIONALE

The School Board believes defined and consistent Board regular meetings contribute to its governance role and responsibilities.

Legal References: Minn. Stat. §123B.09, Subd. 7 (School Board Powers)

Cross References: Policy 203.2 (Order of the Regular School Board Meeting)

Policy 203.5 (School Board Meeting Agenda)

Policy 204 (School Board Meeting Minutes)