

PELHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY BEC–NON-PUBLIC SESSIONS

Category: Recommended

The Board reserves the right to sit in non-public session when a majority of the members present and voting so vote (recorded roll call vote required). As required by law, the motion calling for a non-public session will indicate the matters to be discussed and the statutory exception stated.

The Board may entertain a motion to hold a non-public session only for those purposes which the law recognizes. (For the list of reasons permitted by law, see RSA 91-A:3 II.)

Minutes of the proceedings in non-public sessions shall be kept, at least to the extent of recording any decisions made therein. Decisions must be publicly disclosed within 72 hours of the meeting, unless 2/3 of the members present believe the release of the information would adversely affect the reputation of any person other than a member of the body itself, render the proposed action ineffective, or thwart safety considerations pertain to terrorism or other emergency functions. Board members and any persons attending a non-public session are duty-bound not to disclose any details of the discussion held.

The Superintendent or his/her designated representative may attend all non-public sessions except those which pertain to the Superintendent's employment, at the pleasure of the Board.

District Policy History:

Adopted: July, 1998

Revised: November, 1999

Revised: April 5, 2006

Revised: January 20, 2021

Legal References:

RSA 91-A:3, Non-Public Sessions

RSA 91-A:4, Minutes and Records Available for Public Inspection

RSA 42:1-a, Oaths of Town Officers: Manner of Dismissal; Breach of Confidentiality