

State of Arizona
House of Representatives
Fifty-first Legislature
First Regular Session
2013

HOUSE BILL 2060

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-321, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO ORGANIZATIONAL
POWERS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARDS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 15-321, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 15-321. Organization: election of officers of the board:
5 meetings: execution of warrants: exemption

6 A. For the purpose of organization of the governing board, the board
7 shall meet at the most convenient public facility in the school district. If
8 a public facility is not available within the district, the governing board
9 may meet at any available public facility that is convenient to all governing
10 board members, regardless of the county or school district in which the
11 facility is located. The governing board shall meet between January 1 and
12 January 15 next following the election.

13 B. At the organization meeting the governing board shall elect from
14 among the membership of the board a president.

15 C. For the purposes of regular meetings of the governing board, the
16 board shall meet at the most convenient public facility in the school
17 district. If a public facility is not available within the district, the
18 governing board may meet at any available public facility that is convenient
19 to all governing board members, regardless of the county or school district
20 in which the facility is located.

21 D. The board shall prescribe rules for its own government. It shall
22 hold a regular meeting at least once each month during the regular school
23 year and may hold other meetings as often as called. If action has been
24 taken and documents approved at a meeting, they may be signed subsequently by
25 individual board members.

26 E. Business shall be conducted at regular or special meetings. Notice
27 of a special meeting, and of the hour for a regular meeting if no hour is
28 fixed by a rule of the board, shall be delivered personally or by telephone.

29 F. Notwithstanding section 1-216, if there is a vacancy or vacancies
30 on the governing board, a majority of the remaining members of the governing
31 board constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, except that a
32 single member of the governing board does not constitute a quorum.

33 G. UPON A TWO-THIRDS VOTE, THE GOVERNING BOARD MAY VOTE TO CENSURE A
34 BOARD MEMBER. GROUNDS FOR CENSURE PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION ARE LIMITED TO
35 NONCOMPLIANCE OF APPROVED BOARD POLICY, VIOLATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND
36 OPEN MEETING LAWS, OR EXCESSIVE ABSENCES AS PRESCRIBED IN POLICIES ADOPTED BY
37 THE GOVERNING BOARD AND NOT IN VIOLATION OF FEDERAL LAW. A TWO-THIRDS VOTE
38 TO CENSURE PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE ANY ACTION BEYOND
39 THE PUBLIC REBUKE OF THE BOARD MEMBER.

40 ~~G.~~ H. An order on a county school superintendent for a salary or
41 other expense shall be signed by the governing board. An order for salary or
42 other expense may be signed between board meetings if a resolution to that
43 effect has been passed prior to the signing at a regular or special meeting

1 of the governing board and the order is ratified by the board at the next
2 regular or special meeting of the governing board.
3 ~~H.~~ I. This section does not apply to county school superintendents in
4 the conduct of an accommodation school.