ANGLOPHONE WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT	GOVERNANCE POLICIES
Policy Type	Governance Process
Policy Name	Agenda
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## Policy:

To accomplish its stated objectives, the Council will follow an annual agenda that schedules: continuing review, monitoring and refinement of Ends Results Policies; linkage meetings with various community and staff groups; monitoring of policies and activities to improve Council performance through education, enriched input, and deliberation.

## Accordingly:

- 1. The Chairperson and Superintendent will meet prior to all DEC meeting to confirm the agenda format and identify items that may be brought forward for public discussion or input.
- 2. The agenda should be distributed to members and the public four days before the meeting is scheduled to take place.
- 3. Council members may request the addition of items to the agenda under "New Business" as part of "Approval of the Agenda" at the meeting.
- 4. Procedures for public participation at District Education Council (DEC) meetings are established to encourage the public to participate in an open and respectful manner at a regular DEC meeting. The Chairperson will allocate 15 minutes at the end of the meeting for questions/comments by members of the public present.
  - the member of the public is asked to raise his/her hand so that the Chairperson can acknowledge the question.
  - the Chairperson will maintain a speaker's lists and questions will be directed to the Chairperson.
  - the Chairperson has the option of increasing the allotment of time if he/she deems it necessary.

- District Education Council and staff responses will be facilitated by the Chairperson.
- There shall be no question of a confidential nature concerning specific students or schools, school personnel or district personnel. (Questions of this sort shall be addressed to a District Education Council member at another time.)
- Instructions for individuals or groups wishing to present to the District Education Council:
  - If a group or member of the public wishes the District Education Council to discuss a matter or make a presentation, the individual (s) should write a letter to the Chairperson explaining the topic. This letter must be received at least two weeks prior to the regular District Education Council meeting.
  - The Chairperson will determine the appropriateness of the requests. If the request to present is accepted, the applicant will be informed of the time and place for the presentation.
  - A legible copy of the presentation must be provided to the Chairperson at least ten days before the presentation date, so that Councillors may review it.
  - Any technology requirements for the presentation must also be disclosed at the time of submission.
  - There are to be no more than two spokespersons per presentation and the time allocation for the presentation, including questions, will be limited to 15 minutes.
- 5. To accomplish its job outputs with a governance style consistent with Council policies, the Council will follow an annual planning cycle which (a) completes a re-exploration of educational goals and priorities policies (b) continually improve its performance through continual process improvement and attention to Council education and to enriched input and deliberation.
  - a) The annual planning cycle will conclude each year, on the last day of June, in order that administrative budgeting can be based on accomplishing a one-year segment of the most recent Council long-range vision.
  - b) Councillor education, information input and Council deliberations will receive paramount attention in structuring the series of meetings and other Council activities during the year.
  - c) By June 30<sup>th</sup>, the Council's Annual Plan is prepared and presented, except in election year.

## **MONITORING:**

Method(s)	Frequency	Month
Council Self-evaluation	• 1 time per year	• December