

# Board Policy

Code No. 210.4

## WORK SESSIONS

The Board, as a decision making body, is confronted with a continuing flow of problems, issues and needs which require action. While the Board is determined to expedite its business, it is also mindful of the importance of planning, brainstorming and thoughtful discussion without action. Therefore, the Board may schedule work sessions and retreats in order to provide its members and the administration with such opportunities. The Board has the authority to hire an outside facilitator to assist them in work sessions.

Topics for discussion and study will be announced publicly, and work sessions and retreats will be conducted in open session. However, no board action will take place at the work session.

Citizens wishing to comment on a topic on the agenda will be extended an opportunity at the appropriate time. It is asked that comments be limited to three minutes,

*Legal Reference: Iowa Code §§ 21; 279.8 (2013).  
1982 Op. Att'y Gen. 162.  
1980 Op. Att'y Gen. 167.  
1976 Op. Att'y Gen. 384, 514, 765.  
1972 Op. Att'y Gen. 158.  
1970 Op. Att'y Gen. 287.*

*Cross Reference: 210 Meetings of the Board of Education  
211 Open Meetings*

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