

Kern Community College District Board Policy

Chapter 2 – Board of Trustees

BP 2720 COMMUNICATIONS AMONG BOARD MEMBERS

References:

Government Code Section 54952.2

Note: This policy is legally required.

A majority of the members of the Board of Trustees shall not, outside a regularly scheduled meeting, use a series of communications of any kind, directly or through intermediaries, to discuss, deliberate, or take action on any item of business that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board of Trustees.

This policy shall not be construed as preventing an employee or official of the District from engaging in separate conversations or communications with members of the Board outside of a meeting in order to answer questions or provide information regarding a matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board of Trustees, if that person does not communicate to members of the Board the comments or position of any other member or members of the Board.

This policy shall also not be construed as preventing a member of the Board from engaging in separate conversations or communications on an internet-based social media platform to answer questions, provide information to the public, or to solicit information from the public regarding a matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. In doing so, a majority of the members of the Board may not use the internet-based social media platform to discuss among themselves business of a specific nature that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. However, a member of the Board shall not respond directly to any communication on an internet-based social media platform regarding a matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board that another member of the Board has made, posted, or shared.