Board Meeting Attendance-Absenteeism and Voting

It shall be the policy of the Prairie Crossing Charter School Board of Directors to permit board members who must be absent from a meeting to participate in the meeting with a vote when all four criteria below are met:

1. A quorum of the Board is physically present.
2. The absent board member has stated their need to attend absentee in advance to the board chairperson unless such notification is impractical.
3. The absent board member assumes all costs for attending the board meeting.
4. One of the following conditions is true:
   a. Board member is absent because of employment purpose or the business of the public body.
   b. Board member is absent due to a family or other emergency.
   c. Board member is absent due to personal illness or disability.

Absences for other reasons will not carry voting rights for the board member who is absent, but would not prevent participation in discussion if all other conditions outlined above have been met.

No Physical Presence of Quorum and Participation by Audio or Video; Disaster Declaration.

The ability of the Board to meet in person with a quorum physically present at its meeting location may be affected by the Governor or the Director of the Ill. Dept. of Public Health issuing a disaster declaration related to a public health emergency. The Board President or, if the office is vacant or the President is absent or unable to perform the office’s duties, the Vice President determines that an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent because of the disaster declaration; if neither the President nor Vice President are present or able to perform this determination, the Executive Director shall serve as the duly authorized designee for purposes of making this determination. The individual who makes this determination for the Board shall put it in writing, include it on the Board’s published notice and agenda for the audio or video meeting and in the meeting minutes, and ensure that the Board meets every OMA requirement for the Board to meet by video or audio conference without the physical presence of a quorum.

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