

## **2.3210 CLOSED SESSIONS**

Legal References: G.S. 143, art. 33C

Closed sessions will be held only when required to permit the board to act in the public interest as provided by law. By majority vote of its members present, the board may hold or retire to a closed session as permitted by law for deliberation of matters permitted by law.

### **A. ~~Actions Which Must Be Reported or Taken in Open Session~~**

~~While deliberations may occur in closed session, the following Board actions must be taken or reported in open session:~~

- ~~1. if the Board has approved or considered a settlement in closed session, the terms of that settlement will be reported to the public body and entered into its minutes as soon as possible within a reasonable time after the settlement is concluded. The report should be made in open session unless there is a basis for the report to be heard only in closed session; and~~
- ~~2. final action making an appointment or discharge or removal by the Board having final authority for the appointment or discharge or removal.~~

### **B. ~~Reasons Expressly Prohibited for Action In Closed Session~~**

~~The following are expressly prohibited by law as a basis for closed sessions:~~

- ~~1. discussion of general policy matters or other issues that would be open merely because an attorney employed or retained by the Board is a participant; and~~
- ~~2. consideration of the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, appointment, or removal of a member of the Board or to consider or fill a vacancy among its own membership.~~

### **C. ~~Procedure~~**

~~The Board shall meet in closed session only upon a motion duly made and adopted in public pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(c).~~

### **D. ~~Minutes~~**

~~The Board shall keep minutes of all closed sessions. The minutes of the Board must include a general account of the closed sessions so that a person not in attendance will have a reasonable understanding of what transpired.~~

The Board will act in accordance with the NC State Open Meetings Law when moving into closed session, while discussing items approved by the Open Meetings Law for discussion in closed session, and when moving out of closed session to vote in open session on those items discussed while in closed session. Except for the provisions of the NC State Open Meetings Law and/or as approved by the Board itself or adopted into Board policy, no other restrictions shall be imposed upon the Board's compliance with the utilization of closed sessions for the conduct of Board business.