

CARBON CAREER & TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

SECTION: JOINT OPERATING
COMMITTEE PROCEDURES

TITLE: MEETINGS

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	006. MEETINGS
65 P.S. 701 et seq	<p>Section 1. <u>Parliamentary Authority</u></p> <p>All Joint Operating Committee meetings will be conducted in an orderly and business-like manner. Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly Revised, including group rules shall govern the Joint Operating Committee in its deliberations in all cases in which it is not inconsistent with statute, regulations of the State Board, or Joint Operating Committee procedures.</p>
SC 422	<p>Section 2. <u>Quorum</u></p> <p>A quorum shall consist of a majority of the members of the Joint Operating Committee. No business shall be transacted at a meeting without a quorum, but the members present at such a meeting may adjourn to another time.</p>
SC 405, 426, 427, 428	<p>Section 3. <u>Presiding Officer</u></p> <p>The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the Joint Operating Committee. In the absence, disability or disqualification of the Chairperson, the Vice Chairperson shall act instead. If neither person is present, a Joint Operating Committee member shall be elected Chairperson pro tempore by a plurality of those present to preside at that meeting only. The act of any person so designated shall be legal and binding.</p>
65 P.S. 703, 709	<p>Section 4. <u>Notice</u></p> <p>Notice of all open public meetings of the Joint Operating Committee, including committee meetings and discussion sessions, shall be given by publication of the date, place, and time of such meetings in the newspaper(s) of general circulation designated by the Joint Operating Committee and the posting of such notice at the administrative offices of the Joint Operating Committee.</p>
65 P.S. 703, 709	<p>a. Notice of regular meetings shall be given by publication and posting of a schedule showing the date, place and time of all regular meetings for the calendar year at least three (3) days prior to the time of the first regular meeting.</p>
65 P.S. 703, 709	<p>b. Notice of all special meetings shall be given by publication and posting of notice at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the time of the meeting, except</p>

<p>65 P.S. 703, 709</p>	<p>that such notice shall be waived when a special meeting is called to deal with an actual emergency involving a clear and present danger to life or property.</p> <p>c. Notice of all rescheduled meetings shall be given by publication and posting of notice at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the time of the meeting.</p>
<p>65 P.S. 703</p>	<p>d. Notice of all recessed or reconvened meetings shall be given by posting a notice of the place, date and time of meeting and sending copies of such notice to interested parties.</p>
<p>65 P.S. 709</p>	<p>e. Notice of all public meetings shall be given to any newspaper(s) circulating in Carbon County and a radio or television station which so requests.</p> <p>f. Notice of all public meetings shall be given to any individual who so requests and provides a stamped, addressed envelope for such notification.</p>
<p>SC 423</p>	<p>Notice of all regular and special meetings of the Joint Operating Committee shall be given to Joint Operating Committee members prior to the time of the meeting.</p> <p>Notice of executive sessions, if not previously announced, shall be provided, in writing, to members of the Joint Operating Committee at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the executive session.</p> <p>Section 5. <u>Regular Meetings</u></p>
<p>65 P.S. 701 et seq SC 421</p>	<p>Regular meetings of the Joint Operating Committee shall be public and shall be held on the third Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the board room of the Carbon Career & Technical Institute unless otherwise announced.</p> <p>a. Agenda</p> <p>It shall be the responsibility of the Administrative Director to prepare an agenda of the items of business to come before the Joint Operating Committee at each regular meeting. The agenda, together with all relevant reports, shall be provided to each Joint Operating Committee member prior to the meeting.</p> <p>b. Order of Business</p> <p>The order of business for regular meetings shall be as follows, unless altered by the Chairperson:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Call to Order Moment of Silence Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call Approval of Minutes Courtesy of the Floor</p>

<p>65 P.S. 701 et seq SC 426</p> <p>Pol. 903 65 P.S. 701 et seq</p>	<p>Treasurer's Report Payment of Bills Director's Report Items of Business Adult Education Reports Unfinished Business New and Miscellaneous Business Correspondence Committee Reports Administrative Reports Future Agenda Item(s) Next Meeting Adjournment</p> <p>Section 6. <u>Special Meetings</u></p> <p>Special meetings shall be public and may be called for special or general purposes.</p> <p>The Chairperson may call a special meeting at any time and shall call a special meeting upon presentation of the written requests of three (3) Joint Operating Committee members. Upon the Chairperson's failure or refusal to call a special meeting, such meeting may be called at any time by a majority of the Joint Operating Committee members.</p> <p>Section 7. <u>Hearing Of The Public</u></p> <p>A member of the public present at a meeting of the Joint Operating Committee may address the Joint Operating Committee in accordance with the policy established by the Joint Operating Committee.</p> <p>All persons wishing to participate in a public JOC meeting shall register their intent by signing Courtesy of the Floor cards provided by the JOC prior to the start of the meeting, and include name, address, group affiliation if appropriate and topic to be discussed.</p> <p>The JOC requires that public participants be residents or tax payers of one of the five sending school districts or anyone representing a community group in those districts, any representative of a firm eligible to bid on materials or services solicited by the JOC, any employee or student of the sending schools or CCTI.</p>
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<p>SC 1850.1</p>	<p>Visitors who want to address the board must comply with the following guidelines:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Three (3) minute time limit.2. Please make comments which are germane to the agenda items.3. No redundant commentary.4. Groups wishing to address the JOC shall designate one (1) spokesperson.5. The JOC members need not respond.6. We will limit discussion to one-half (1/2) hour at the beginning of the meeting and follow-up with comments as necessary at the end of the meeting, not to exceed one-half (1/2) hour. <p>The presiding officer may interrupt or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant; request any individual to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum; request the assistance of law enforcement officers to remove disorderly person when his/her conduct interferes with the orderly progress of the meeting; call a recess or adjourn to another time when the lack of public decorum interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting; and waive these rules with the approval of the JOC.</p> <p>In the event that a participant repeatedly makes statements that are personally directed, abusive, obscene or disrupts decorum, the JOC may suspend the participant's privilege to address the JOC in the future.</p> <p>Upon a further repeat of such conduct, the JOC may suspend said participant's privilege to address the JOC for a specified time period. In such event the participant may provide to the JOC Secretary a written statement of concerns the participant wishes to address with the JOC prior to such subsequent meetings. The JOC Secretary, provided that it is not personally directed, abusive, obscene or disrupts the public decorum, shall read same during the public participation portion of the meetings. In the event it is personally directed, abusive, obscene or disrupts the public decorum, it shall not be read, but copies provided to the JOC and made available to the public and press.</p> <p>Section 8. <u>Voting By The Joint Board</u></p> <p>All voting by the Joint Board for authorized actions shall be in accordance with the Articles of Agreement.</p> <p>Section 9. <u>Voting By The Joint Operating Committee</u></p> <p>All motions shall require for adoption a majority vote of those Joint Operating Committee members present and voting, except as provided by statute or Joint Operating Committee procedures.</p>
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	a. The following actions require the recorded affirmative votes of two-thirds of the full number of Joint Operating Committee members:
SC 609	1. Transfer budgeted funds.
SC 687	2. Transfer any unencumbered balance, or portion thereof, from one appropriation to another, or from one spending agency to another.
SC 803	3. Adopt or change textbooks without the recommendation of the Administrative Director.
SC 1129	4. Dismiss, after hearing, a tenured professional employee.
SC 508	b. The following actions require the recorded affirmative votes of a majority of the full number of Joint Operating Committee members:
	1. Fixing the length of the school term.
Pol. 108	2. Adopting textbooks recommended by the Administrative Director.
SC 1850.1	3. Appointing the Administrative Director and Assistant Administrative Director.
SC 1804, 1850.1	4. Appointing teachers and principals.
Pol. 107	5. Adopting planned instruction.
	6. Establishing additional schools or departments.
SC 621	7. Designating depositories for school funds.
	8. Expending school funds.
Pol. 610	9. Entering into contracts of any kind, including contracts for the purchase of fuel or any supplies where the amount involved exceeds \$100 (including items subject to \$10,000 bid requirements).
SC 1850.1	10. Fixing salaries or compensation of officers, teachers, or other appointees of the Joint Operating Committee.
SC 514, 1080	11. Dismissing, after hearing, a nontenured employee.
SC 212	12. Adopting a corporate seal for the school.
SC 708	13. Vacating and abandoning property to which the Joint Operating Committee has title.

<p>SC 1503</p>	<p>14. Determining the holidays, other than those provided by statute, which shall be observed by special exercises and those on which the schools shall be closed for the whole day.</p> <p>15. Removing a Joint Operating Committee member.</p> <p>16. Declaring that a vacancy exists on the Joint Operating Committee by reason of the failure or neglect of a school director to qualify.</p>
<p>Pol. 005</p>	<p>17. Removing an officer of the Joint Operating Committee.</p>
<p>Pol. 003</p>	<p>18. Adopting, amending, or repealing a Joint Operating Committee procedure or policy.</p>
<p>65 P.S. 706 SC 518</p>	<p>Section 10. <u>Minutes</u></p> <p>The Joint Operating Committee shall cause to be made, and shall retain as a permanent record of the school, minutes of all open meetings of the Joint Operating Committee. Said minutes shall be comprehensible and complete and shall show:</p> <p>a. The date, place, and time of the meeting.</p> <p>b. The names of Joint Operating Committee members present.</p> <p>c. The presiding officer.</p> <p>d. The substance of all official actions.</p> <p>e. Actions taken.</p>
<p>65 P.S. 705</p>	<p>f. Recorded votes and a record by individual members of all roll call votes taken.</p> <p>g. The names of all citizens who appeared officially and the subject of their testimony.</p> <p>The Joint Operating Committee Secretary shall provide each Joint Operating Committee member with a copy of the minutes of the last meeting prior to the next regular meeting.</p>
<p>SC 433</p>	<p>The minutes of Joint Operating Committee meetings shall be approved at the next succeeding meeting and signed by the Secretary of the Joint Operating Committee.</p> <p>Section 11. <u>Adjournment</u></p>
<p>Pol. 006 65 P.S. 703, 709</p>	<p>The Joint Operating Committee may at any time recess or adjourn to an adjourned meeting at a specified date and place, upon the majority vote of those present. The adjourned meeting shall take up its business at the point in the agenda where the motion to adjourn was acted upon. Notice of the rescheduled meeting shall be given</p>

<p>65 P.S. 707, 708</p>	<p>as provided in Joint Operating Committee policy.</p> <p>Section 12. <u>Executive Session</u></p> <p>The Joint Operating Committee may hold an executive session, which is not an open meeting, before, during, at the conclusion of an open meeting, or at some other time. The presiding officer shall announce the reason for holding the executive session; the announcement can be made at the open meeting prior to or after the executive session.</p> <p>The Joint Operating Committee may discuss the following matters in executive session:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Employment issues. b. Labor relations. c. The purchase or lease of real estate. d. Consultation with an attorney or other professional advisor regarding potential litigation or identifiable complaints which may lead to litigation. e. Matters which must be conducted in private to protect a lawful privilege or confidentiality. <p>Official actions based on discussions held in executive session shall be taken at a public meeting.</p>
<p>65 P.S. 701 et seq</p>	<p>Section 13. <u>Work Sessions</u></p> <p>The Joint Operating Committee may meet as a Committee of the Whole in an open meeting to vote on or to discuss issues. Public notice of such meetings shall be made.</p>
<p>65 P.S. 703, 709</p>	<p>Section 14. <u>Committee Meetings</u></p> <p>Committee meetings may be called at any time by the committee chairperson, with proper public notice, or when requested to do so.</p>
<p>65 P.S. 701 et seq</p>	<p>A majority of the total membership of a committee shall constitute a quorum.</p> <p>Unless held as an executive session, committee meetings shall be open to the public, other Joint Operating Committee members, the Administrative Director, and the Superintendent of Record.</p>

School Code

212, 405,
421, 422,
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PA Statute

65 P.S. 701 et seq

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