

# Marion County Board of Education

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1 The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules Of Order, Newly Revised*, shall govern the  
2 Board in all cases to which they are applicable, except as otherwise provided by any statutes<sup>1</sup> applicable  
3 to the Board, or by policies of this Board including the following exceptions:

## 4 **VOTING METHOD**

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7 A formal vote shall be taken on any question brought before the Board and the decision shall be made  
8 on the basis of a majority of the membership of the Board.<sup>2</sup>

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10 Roll call votes will be used when the motion includes any spending of funds or upon the request of any  
11 board member. No secret votes shall be used.<sup>3</sup> The person chairing the meeting shall have a vote on  
12 all matters voted on by the Board.

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14 A written roll call vote may be used providing it is signed and read aloud by the secretary.

## 15 **CHAIRMAN'S PARTICIPATION**

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18 The person chairing a meeting may participate in discussion, make motions, and vote on all issues as any  
19 other member without relinquishing the chair.<sup>4</sup>

## 20 **SUSPENSION OF RULES**

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23 Rules of order may be suspended by a two-thirds vote at any regular or special meeting.  
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### 34 Legal Reference:

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36 1. TCA 49-5-409(b)(1); TCA 49-6-3004(2)(f)  
37 2. TCA 49-2-202  
38 3. TCA 8-44-104(b)  
39 4. *Reeder v. Trotter*, 142 Tennessee 37 (1919)  
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