Closed Sessions (Executive Sessions)

The Board of Governors reserves the right to hold closed, or executive, sessions when a closed session is clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual, unless such individual has requested a public meeting.

Closed sessions shall be conducted only upon a motion which states the purpose for the closed session, duly made, seconded, and voted affirmatively upon by a majority of the Board Members voting. The motion and vote to hold a closed session shall be made and taken in open session. The motion, the vote of each Member, along with the time when the closed session commenced and concluded shall be recorded in the minutes.

When the Board convenes in closed session, only elected Board Members and such other persons as the Chair determines shall attend. This determination by the Chair as to who is to be included or excluded may be challenged and changed by a majority of Board Members voting.

During the closed session, any Board Member shall have the right to challenge the continuation of the session if the Member believes that the session has exceeded the purpose stated in the motion to convene a closed session. Such challenge and its disposition shall be recorded in the minutes of the public meeting from which the closed session was convened.

No legal action may be taken by the Board in closed session. The Board must first reconvene in open session and proceed with a motion, second, and vote.

Any closed, or executive session, convened by the Board of Governors shall observe all requirements of current Public Meeting Laws.

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