

REFERENCE TITLE: school districts; organizational meeting; deadline

State of Arizona
House of Representatives
Fifty-sixth Legislature
First Regular Session
2023

HB 2663

Introduced by
Representative Pawlik

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-321, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARDS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Section 15-321, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 15-321. Organization; election of officers of the board;
5 meetings; execution of warrants; exemption

6 A. For the purpose of ~~organization of~~ ORGANIZING the governing
7 board, the board shall meet at the most convenient public facility in the
8 school district. If a public facility is not available within the
9 district, the governing board may meet at any available public facility
10 that is convenient to all governing board members, regardless of the
11 county or school district in which the facility is located. The governing
12 board shall meet ~~between IN January 1 and January 15~~ next following the
13 election.

14 B. At the organization meeting the governing board shall elect from
15 among the membership of the board a president.

16 C. For the purposes of regular meetings of the governing board, the
17 board shall meet at the most convenient public facility in the school
18 district. If a public facility is not available within the district, the
19 governing board may meet at any available public facility that is
20 convenient to all governing board members, regardless of the county or
21 school district in which the facility is located.

22 D. The board shall prescribe rules for its own government. It
23 shall hold a regular meeting at least once each month during the regular
24 school year and may hold other meetings as often as called. If action has
25 been taken and documents approved at a meeting, they may be signed
26 subsequently by individual board members.

27 E. Business shall be conducted at regular or special meetings.
28 Notice of a special meeting, and of the hour for a regular meeting if no
29 hour is fixed by a rule of the board, shall be delivered personally or by
30 telephone.

31 F. Notwithstanding section 1-216, if there is a vacancy or
32 vacancies on the governing board, a majority of the remaining members of
33 the governing board constitute a quorum for the transaction of business,
34 except that a single member of the governing board does not constitute a
35 quorum.

36 G. An order on a county school superintendent for a salary or other
37 expense shall be signed by the governing board. An order for A salary or
38 other expense may be signed between board meetings if a resolution to that
39 effect has been passed ~~prior to~~ BEFORE the signing at a regular or special
40 meeting of the governing board and the order is ratified by the board at
41 the next regular or special meeting of the governing board.

42 H. This section does not apply to county school superintendents in
43 the conduct of an accommodation school.