VOTING METHOD AT BOARD MEETINGS

An affirmative vote of a simple majority of the members present and voting shall be necessary for the passage of any motion, except in such instances as the law or other policies of the Board may require a larger vote. Every member present, including the President, shall be entitled to one vote.

A member of the Board may abstain from voting on an issue before the Board, whereby his vote shall be counted neither for nor against the issue voted upon. In such cases the Board member shall state that he abstains from voting and the minutes shall reflect the member's abstention.

All voting shall be by voice, roll call, or electronically; a roll call vote may be requested by any member and/or ordered by the President, with the vote of each member recorded in the minutes. On all votes, the name of each voting "nay" shall be recorded in the minutes.

There shall be no representation by proxy by any member at any meeting of the Board, including committee meetings.

Reconsideration of action shall be according to <u>Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised</u>, with the exception that matters voted on by the Board shall not be brought up for reconsideration within a thirty (30) day period except by a *two-thirds* $(\frac{2}{3})$ vote of the Board.

No action shall be taken by the Board except as taken above at a properly called regular or special meeting.

Ref: La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§17:81, 18:602 et seq., 42:1120; Board minutes, 7-7-98.