

## **Altar Valley School District Governing Board Meeting Norms**

During Governing Board Reports and other agenda items or discussions, all comments, questions, or statements must align with the posted agenda, current school events, and the following Altar Valley School District Governing Board Meeting Norms & Code of Conduct:

1. **Adherence to Mission and Vision**

All board discussions and decisions shall align with and support the Altar Valley School District's Mission and Vision, ensuring that the focus remains on ensuring that AVSD provides a safe environment where all flourish, academically, socially, and emotionally.

2. **Respectful Communication**

Board members will engage in open, honest, and respectful dialogue, actively listening to all perspectives. Disagreements will be handled professionally, without personal attacks or disruptions.

3. **Commitment to Collaboration**

The board will work collaboratively with the administration, staff, and community, ensuring that decisions are made with input from all stakeholders and reflect the district's commitment to students and families.

4. **Transparency and Accountability**

Board members will ensure transparency in decision-making processes and be accountable to the community for their actions, upholding the community trust.

5. **Effective Use of Time**

Meetings will be conducted efficiently, with clear agendas to ensure productive and focused discussions on the posted agenda and agenda items.

6. **Professionalism and Ethics**

Board members shall adhere to high standards of professionalism and ethics, maintaining confidentiality and avoiding conflicts of interest.

7. **Focus on Student Success**

Every decision and action should prioritize the overall success of all students within the district.

8. **Altar Valley School District Employee and School Board Code of Conduct**

Each Altar Valley Governing Board member shall adhere to the AVSD Code of Conduct

### **Potential Consequences for Violating the Altar Valley School District Governing Board Meeting Norms and Code of Conduct:**

1. **Verbal Reminder:** If a board member violates the Meeting Norms/Code of Conduct during a meeting, any board member may issue a verbal reminder to the individual.
2. **Complaint Handling:** If complaints regarding a board member's conduct are received by any board member, they must be shared with the Governing Board President. The President will then privately issue a warning to the individual, outlining the nature of the complaint.

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