West Bonner County School District

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

7500

Increase in Fees

Prior to a decision by this board of trustees to impose a new fee or to approve a fee increase that exceeds on hundred five percent (105%) of the amount of the fee last collected, this board will hold a regular or special public meeting on the proposed fee imposition or fee increase.

For the purpose of this policy, the definition of "fee" will include all fees and charges of this school district for a direct public service, including fees for voluntary activities and extra costs such as extra curricular activities, driver's education, towel or locker use, adult education courses, breakfasts and lunches, parking and similar services or activities.

Public notice will be given of this board's intent to make a decision on a proposed fee increase, as set forth above, by either:

- 1. Advertising in at least one newspaper once each week during the two weeks preceding the week during which the hearing will be held. The advertisement will state that the board will meet on a certain day, time and place listed in the advertisement. The advertisement will also state the purpose of the meeting, which is to explain the reasons for and public comments about any proposed new fee or fee increase beyond one hundred five (105%) percent;
- 2. Holding three public meetings in three different locations in the district; or
- 3. A single mailing notice to all district residents, provided that the same information is given and provided the meeting is held not less than seven days after the mailing of the notice.

Failure to provide public notice and a hearing on the increase in fees will result in possible voiding of the validity of all or a portion of the fee increase.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 63-1311A Advertisement of and hearing on fee increases

I.C. § 60-106 Qualifications of newspapers printing legal notices

I.C. § 33-603 Payment of fees or returning of property

Cross Reference: 3440 Student Fees, Fines and Charges

7300 Revenues

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