Administrative Discretion Regarding Board Policy

The Governing Board desires to be proactive in communicating its philosophy, priorities, and expectations for the district; clarifying the roles and responsibilities of the Board, Superintendent, and other senior administrators; and setting direction for the district through written policies. The Board further recognizes that, in the course of operating district schools or implementing district programs, situations may arise which may not be addressed in written policies.

(cf. 0000 - Vision)
(cf. 0100 - Philosophy)
(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)
(cf. 2110 - Superintendent Responsibilities and Duties)
(cf. 9000 - Role of the Board)
(cf. 9310 - Board Policies)

In any situation in which immediate action is needed to avoid any risk to the safety or security of district students, staff, or property or disruption to student learning, the Superintendent or designee shall have the authority to act on behalf of the district.

As necessary, the Superintendent or designee shall consult with other district staff, including the legal counsel and/or the chief business official, regarding the exercise of this authority.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)
(cf. 3516.5 - Emergency Schedules)

The Superintendent or designee shall notify the Board as soon as practicable after he/she exercises this authority. The Board president and/or the Superintendent may schedule a review of the action at the next regular Board meeting. If the action indicates the need for additions or revisions to Board policies, the Superintendent or designee shall make the necessary recommendations to the Board.

(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)
(cf. 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials)

Legal Reference:
EDUCATION CODE
35010 Control of district, prescription and enforcement of rules
35035 Powers and duties of superintendent
35160 Authority of governing boards
35161 Powers and duties; authority to delegate
35163 Official actions, minutes and journal

Management Resources:
CSBA PUBLICATIONS
Impact of Local Control Funding Formula on Board Policies, Policy Brief, November 2013
WEB SITES
CSBA: http://www.csba.org
California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov

Policy Adopted: 08/16/06; 09/01/10; 08/20/14