ALLOWAY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT	FILE CODE: 9020
Alloway, New Jersey	Monitored
	Mandated
Bylaw	X Other Reasons

## **PUBLIC STATEMENTS**

The Alloway Township Board of Education recognizes that arbitrary or independent actions of board members can reflect on the whole board and poor board member behavior can produce negative consequences on school operations. Board members are encouraged to work cooperatively together as a group and loyally support the decisions reached through the consensus process.

Only the board president shall authorize or make statements of official board positions.

No other member of the board of education individually will speak for, or in the name of, the total board unless by explicit direction of the board. Board members should emphasize that they can only speak as individual board members unless empowered by the board to speak for it.

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Key Words

Board Members' Role, Public Statements

**<u>Legal References</u>**: N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1 General mandatory powers and duties

N.J.S.A. 18A:42-4 Distribution of literature to candidacy, board issues, or other public

question to be submitted at election; prohibited

N.J.S.A. 18A:54-20 Powers of board (county vocational schools)

**Possible** 

Cross References: \*1100 Communicating with the public

\*1110 Media

\*9010 Role of the member \*9271 Code of ethics

<sup>\*</sup>Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.