**Section 2175.120 Board Meetings**

a) The Board makes all decisions on adjudicatory cases and regulatory matters at open meetings of the Board noticed and held in compliance with the Open Meetings Act [5 ILCS 120]. The Board may also hold meetings that are closed to the public under Section 2(c) of the Open Meetings Act [5 ILCS 120/2(c)], including closed deliberative sessions under Section 2(c)(4) of the Open Meetings Act [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(4)].

b) Open Board meetings may be held when a quorum of Board members is present. *Three members of the Board shall constitute a quorum to transact business; and the affirmative vote of 3 members is necessary to adopt any order.* [415 ILCS 5/5(a)]

c) The Board may hold a closed meeting upon a majority vote of a quorum present taken at an open meeting for which notice has been given as required by the Open Meetings Act [5 ILCS 120/2a]. Closed meetings may be held when a majority of a quorum is present. (See 5 ILCS 120/2).

d) Board members may attend meetings in the following ways:

1) Meetings, whether open or closed, may be held with Board members present physically or by videoconference. Closed meetings may also be held with Board members present telephonically. (See 5 ILCS 120).

2) If a quorum of Board members is present physically or by videoconference at an open meeting, a majority of the Board may allow a Board member to attend the meeting telephonically if the member cannot otherwise attend because of personal illness or disability, the business of the Board, a family or other emergency, or unexpected childcare obligations. (See 5 ILCS 120/7(a)). In these instances, the Board member who wishes to attend telephonically will notify the Clerk of the Board before the meeting unless advance notice is impractical.

3) Meetings, whether open or closed, may be conducted by audio or video conference, without the physical presence of a quorum of the members, so long as the meeting meets the conditions of Section 7(e) of the Open Meetings Act [5 ILCS 120/7(e)].

e) Section 5 of the Act requires the Board to hold at least one open meeting each month and allows the Board to hold special and emergency meetings. [See 415 ILCS 5/5]. The Chair or two Board members may call a special or emergency meeting of the Board that is open to the public.

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