

Board Governance Policy 1.2

## <u>Liberty STEAM Charter Policy for News Media Services at Board Meetings</u>

Purpose: To establish the basic structure for news media notification of and attendance at board meetings.

As an organization, STEAM Charter values the importance of accountability and transparency. The board believes that one of its paramount responsibilities is to keep the public informed of its actions. Therefore, the press and public are welcome to attend board meetings. The Board Secretary or his/her designee will send a copy of the agenda in advance of all official board meetings to members of the news media who request notice of a meeting. In the event that representatives of news media are unable to attend a meeting, upon request they shall be provided a summary of important board actions.

When individual board members receive requests from news media representatives for information about board meetings, members shall refer those requesting information to the board chairman. The board chairman shall be the official public spokesman for the board (except as the board chairman specifically delegates this responsibility to others).

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## Legal references:

S.C. Code 1976, as amended: Section 30-4-10, et seq. - South Carolina Freedom of Information Act. Section 59-1-340 - Board meetings open to news media.