

3357:13-11-05 Board Attendance

- (A) Ohio Revised Code 3.17, Failure to Attend Meetings, provides that “any member of a board of trustees of an institution of higher education who fails to attend at least three-fifths of the regular and special meetings held by that board during any two-year period forfeits the member’s position on that board.” There is no appeal mechanism. The provision went into effect on January 1, 1995.
- (B) In a memorandum dated July 16, 2008, the Chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents requests each of Ohio’s colleges and universities to submit quarterly attendance reports no later than January 31, April 30, July 31, and October 31 for the preceding quarter.
- (C) In a memorandum dated July 16, 2008, the office of Governor Ted Strickland requests “written notification of any instance where a gubernatorial appointee drops below the minimum attendance requirement of 60 percent.”
- (D) Effective, September 30, 2021, Ohio Revised Code 3345.82, allows trustees to attend a meeting of the board of trustees via means of “electronic communication” providing the following minimum standards are met:
  - (a) At least one-third of the trustees must attend the meeting in person;
  - (b) All votes be taken by roll call vote;
  - (c) A trustee who intends to attend a meeting via electronic means must notify the chairperson no less than forty-eight hours before the meeting, except in the case of a declared emergency; and
  - (d) A trustee must attend more than half of the meetings in person.

Effective: October 1, 2021

Next Review: October 1, 2026

Review Dates: 1/28/76, 9/27/95, 9/26/01, 7/16/08, 9/23/16, 8/25/21