

## **FACILITIES**

## **Policy 704 (previously Policy 904)**

### **Retirement of School Facilities**

#### **Disposal of School Board Land or Improvements**

It shall be the policy of the Board to dispose of by lease, sale or land exchange, in whole or in part, any unused Board land or improvements, provided such disposal does not conflict with or detract from the regular or extracurricular program of a school or the current or future educational needs of the school district.

The disposal shall be through a public process, and shall be at fair market value.

#### **School Closure and/or Consolidation**

The Board recognizes that declining and shifting student populations may necessitate the consolidation and/or closure of schools from time to time. It is the policy of the Board to bear in mind the possible impact on other Board policies, such as its attendance area policies and its policies pertaining to personnel assignment. It is the declared intent of the Board to make its policies and regulations on school closure clear to all concerned, to provide ample lead time before closing any school, and to support a process that provides an opportunity for those who will be affected to be involved before any decision is made.

The Board has approved regulations for implementing school closures. These are an integral part of the Board's policy, and may not be changed except by Board action. (See Board Regulation 704-R (formerly 904-R)).