Rule 810.3 – SLAC Meetings

A. Composition; Quorum; Authority and Voting Procedures

1. Quorum. A majority of the voting membership constitutes a quorum for a meeting of the Council. A quorum may be established by either:

(a) A majority of the voting membership of the Council or

(b) A <u>three-fourths (3/4) majority of the local government membership and the states that the</u> <u>Governing Board has admitted as either a full member state, contingent member state, or associate</u> <u>member state if at least one contingent member state, associate member state, or nonmember state is</u> <u>present at the meeting.</u>

Any recommendations of Council work groups or committees are advisory to the Council and are not binding on the Council except as may be specifically delegated or approved by a vote of the Council.

2. Voting. All matters shall be decided by a majority vote of the members with representatives present and voting at a Council meeting. In voting, each participating state shall have one (1) vote and each representative of the local government organizations identified in Rule 810.2.B.1 shall have one (1) vote. In reporting votes to the Governing Board, the Council shall report votes by each participating state and by each local government organization member.

3. Any recommendations of Council work groups or committees are advisory to the Council and are not binding on the Council except as may be specifically delegated or approved by a vote of the Council.

B. Meetings

1. Open Meetings: Rule 807.1 shall govern meetings of the Council. Meetings of a work group, committee, or the Steering Committee are not required to be open to the public unless a quorum of the Council is present at the meeting.

2. Regular Meetings: The Council shall meet as often as is necessary to fulfill its mission. The Officers shall determine the time and place for regular meetings. The Steering Committee shall prepare an agenda for distribution to the Council Members. Written notice of the meeting must be given at least 30 days in advance of the meeting and must include the agenda, purpose of the meeting and all pertinent materials for discussion. Council Members wishing to add action or discussion items to the agenda may do so if submitted 10 days in advance of the meeting to the Officers. Those additional action or discussion items shall be considered by the Council and with the approval of a majority of those present and voting at the meeting.

3. Emergency Meetings: Emergency meetings of the Council may be called by the Officers, the Steering Committee, or by petition of forty percent of Council Members at a time and place determined by those who called the meeting. The purpose of the meeting and the agenda must be contained in the written notice and no other business may be transacted. The 30 day notice may be waived, but in no case shall less than 10 days notice be given. Electronic participation will be allowed.

4. Rules of the Governing Board concerning Notice and Public Comment periods apply to the Council.

5. The Council may meet electronically.

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