

# DIRECTIVE D-S-11

# Organizing and holding public meetings during an election period

Reference: Act respecting school elections to elect certain members of the boards of directors of English-language school service centres, section 206.36 (7°)

#### **PURPOSE**

This document establishes the rules governing the organization and holding of public meetings during the election period.

### **ACTIVITIES ORGANIZED BY NON-PARTISAN ORGANIZATIONS**

The costs associated with activities organized by non-partisan organizations (e.g., a chamber of commerce) are not considered election expenses if the following conditions are met:

- The public meeting is organized and held as part of the organization's regular activities;
- The organization's members and the general public are invited in the usual way;
- No partisan advertising is distributed or disseminated on the occasion of or during such an activity. The use of partisan slogans or logos is therefore not tolerated, whether in the invitation documents, or outside or inside the meeting location;
- The meeting is not organized directly or indirectly on behalf of an authorized candidate.

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

Expenses made or incurred to organize meetings, including expenses associated with renting the room and convening the participants, are not considered election expenses, provided that such meetings are not organized directly or indirectly on behalf of an authorized candidate and that the total expenses for the entire election period do not exceed \$200.

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