TELEPHONE CALLS, ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AND FACSIMILES

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District communication equipment shall be used for designated purposes and shall not be used for personal or nonschool purposes.

- I. An employee shall not make a personal long distance call or send a facsimile or other electronic transmission at School Board expense. An employee who violates this rule shall be required to pay for the call or facsimile. Such action shall be reported to the Superintendent at the principal's or District department head's discretion.
- II. All long distance telephone calls, facsimiles, or other electronic transmissions that relate to extracurricular activities of the school, including athletics, shall be paid from the school's internal funds collected for the specific activity.
- III. Prior authorization for all long distance calls and facsimiles shall be given by the principal or District department head.
- IV. Employee use of District cell telephones shall be, to the extent possible, limited to business use only. The District shall be reimbursed for any personal calls made by the employee. Procedures for implementing this provision shall be developed.
- V. The expenditure of public funds for cellular phones or service, personal digital assistants (PDAs), or other mobile wireless communication devices or service shall be consistent with the provisions of Florida Statutes.
- VI. Any long distance telephone call made by a School Board member which is charged to the District office shall be paid by the School Board, provided the purpose of the call was to conduct School Board business.
- VII. The principal or District department head shall review telephone and facsimile bills and shall refer excessive or questionable bills to the Superintendent or designee for consideration.

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