WAC 222-08-040  Operations and procedures.  (1) The board holds quarterly scheduled meetings on the second Wednesday of February, May, August, and November, at such times and places as deemed necessary to conduct board business. At regularly scheduled board meetings, agenda time is allotted for public comment on rule proposals and board activities, unless the board has already set public hearings on the rule proposals. Special and emergency meetings may be called anytime by the chair of the board or by a majority of the board members. Notice of special and emergency meetings will be provided in accordance with RCW 42.30.070 and 42.30.080. All meetings are conducted in accordance with chapter 42.30 RCW, and RCW 76.09.030(3). A schedule of meetings shall be published in the Washington State Register in January of each year. Minutes shall be taken at all meetings.

(2) Each member of the board is allowed one vote on any action before the board; pursuant to RCW 42.30.060(2), secret voting is not allowed. All actions shall be decided by majority vote. A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum for making decisions and promulgating rules necessary for the conduct of its powers and duties. When there is a quorum and a vote is taken, a majority vote is based upon the number of members participating. The chair, designee, or majority of the board may hold hearings and receive public comment on specific issues such as rule making that the board will consider in its actions.

(3) Rules marked with an asterisk (*) pertain to water quality and are adopted or amended with agreement from the department of ecology. See WAC 222-12-010.

(4) The chair or majority of board members shall set the meeting agenda. Public requests for topics to be included in the board's quarterly public meeting agenda must include the name of the requestor, and be received at the office at least fourteen days before the scheduled meeting. Topics requested may be added to the meeting agenda at the chair's discretion or by a majority vote of the board members. Pursuant to RCW 42.30.077 agendas of each regular meeting will be available online no later than twenty-four hours in advance of the published start time of the meeting.

(5) Written materials for the board which are not provided in advance of the meeting date will not be distributed during the meeting unless fifteen copies are provided to staff.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 76.09.040 and chapter 42.56 RCW. WSR 18-07-012, § 222-08-040, filed 3/9/18, effective 4/9/18. Statutory Authority: RCW 76.09.040. WSR 08-24-011, § 222-08-040, filed 11/21/08, effective 12/22/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 34.05.220, 42.17.250, 42.17.260, and 76.09.040. WSR 04-05-122, § 222-08-040, filed 2/18/04, effective 3/20/04. Statutory Authority: RCW 76.09.040 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 93-12-001, § 222-08-040, filed 5/19/93, effective 6/19/93. Statutory Authority: RCW 76.09.040. WSR 87-23-036 (Order 535), § 222-08-040, filed 11/16/87, effective 1/1/88. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.21C.120, 76.09.040 and 42.30.075. WSR 84-18-021 (Order 429, Resolution No. 8-8-84), § 222-08-040, filed 8/29/84, effective 10/1/84.]