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## POLICY

Internal Operations

## SUBJECT: COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

The Board and/or the President of the Board may at its discretion establish committees for the purpose of undertaking a specific task in connection with Board activity. These committees, however, cannot make legal decisions for the entire Board.

At the request of the Board, the President shall appoint temporary committees consisting of fewer than the full membership for special purposes. These committees shall be discharged on the completion of their assignment. The President of the Board shall be an ex-officio member of such committees.

## **Advisory Committees**

The Board of Education recognizes that it may be necessary from time to time to authorize advisory committees for the purpose of enlisting opinions and counsel of the general public. Such committees shall be appointed by the Board of Education.

The following procedures will govern the appointment and functioning of District advisory committees, except as otherwise specified by law:

- a) Advisory committees may be created by the Board for special purposes. There will be no standing overall advisory committee to the Board.
- b) The composition of advisory committees will be broadly representative and will take into consideration the specific tasks assigned to the committee; members of the professional staff may be appointed to the committee as members or consultants, as desirable.
- c) Appointments to advisory committees and appointment of staff members to such committees will be made by the Board upon recommendation of the Superintendent.
- d) The Board will instruct each advisory committee as to length of time each member is being asked to serve and the service the Board wishes the committee to render, as well as the extent and limitations of the committee's responsibilities.
- e) Recommendations of advisory committees will be arrived at based on research and fact. Their recommendations will be channeled to the Board through the Superintendent.
- f) The Board of Education possesses legal powers and prerogatives that cannot be delegated to others. Therefore, all recommendations of an advisory committee must be considered as advisory only.

The Board will have the sole power to dissolve any of its advisory committees and will reserve the right to exercise this power at any time during the life of an advisory committee.

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