#### **BOARD INTERNAL ORGANIZATION** INTERNAL COMMITTEES

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#### **Board Liaisons**

The Board shall appoint members to serve as Board liaisons. The role of a Board liaison comprises learning about a specific area of District governance, gathering information, and serving as a liaison between senior staff and the Board.

**Note**: For advisory committees that include staff, parents, community members or students, see BDF.

#### Special Board Committees

The Board shall authorize such special committees as are deemed necessary. The President shall appoint members to special committees created by the Board to fulfill specific assignments, unless otherwise provided by Board action. These committees may include District personnel and citizens. The function of committees shall be fact-finding, deliberative, and advisory but not administrative. All special committees of the Board shall report recommendations to the Board for appropriate action.

A special committee shall be dissolved when its report is accepted by the Board.

For purposes of this policy, a Board committee is a committee composed only of current Board members.

Formation of a Board committee shall be by Board action. When establishing a Board committee, the Board action shall, at a minimum, specify the:

- Number of Board members on the committee;
- Process to appoint Board members to the committee;
- Term of committee membership;
- Responsibilities of the committee.

A Board committee shall be fact-finding, deliberative, and advisory and shall make recommendations in the areas of their responsibility. Board committees shall report their findings and recommendations to the Board and shall not assume administrative duties or responsibilities.

# **Transacting** business

Unless specified by the Board, a Board committee shall not have final decision-making authority. Board committee recommendations must be report to the Board at a regular or special meeting. The Board shall not accept a Board committee's recommendation without due consideration of the matter.

### **Dissolution**

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A Board committee shall be dissolved upon Board action.

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Texas Open Meetings Act All committees shall meet in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

# **Committee Vacancy**

In the event a vacancy occurs on the Board resulting in the loss of a member from a special committee, a replacement may be appointed to the committee by the Board immediately following the appointment of a replacement member to the Board. The Superintendent shall be considered a non-voting member of each committee.

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