

Board of Education

Committees

The Board of Education may establish committees to assist with the Board's governance function and, in some situations, to comply with State law requirements. These committees are known as Board committees and report directly to the Board. Committee members may include both Board members and non-Board members, depending on the committee's purpose. The Board President makes all Board committee appointments, subject to Board approval. Board committee meetings shall comply with the Open Meetings Act. A Board committee, except the Committee of the Whole, may not take final action on behalf of the Board – it may only make recommendations to the Board.

Committees shall operate under the following guidelines:

1. The President and the committee members shall establish the committee's meeting dates, time, and place.
2. The Superintendent may attend all committee meetings.

Special Board Committees

A special committee may be created for specific purposes or to investigate special issues. A special committee is automatically dissolved after presenting its final report to the Board or at the Board's discretion.

Standing Board Committees

A standing committee is created for an indefinite term, although its members will fluctuate. Standing committees are:

1. Committee of the Whole. The Committee of the Whole, which consists of all members of the Board and any individuals they may invite from time to time, meets regularly to:
 - ensure an integrated, mission-compliant K-8 curriculum supported by a relevant professional development program throughout the District;
 - analyze the current and future conditions of the District and promotes the responsible stewardship of the District's financial and property resources;
 - develop district policies, consider recommended policy updates from the Illinois Association of School Boards, and revise existing policies;
 - study and consider such other issues as it may consider appropriate from time to time; and
 - take Board action.
2. Parent-Teacher Advisory Committee. This committee assists in the development of student discipline policy and procedure. Its members are parents/guardians and teachers, and may include persons whose expertise or experience is needed. The committee reviews such issues as administering medication in the schools, reciprocal reporting between the School District and local law enforcement agencies regarding criminal offenses committed by students, student discipline, disruptive classroom behavior, school bus safety procedures, and the dissemination of student conduct information.

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3. **The Behavioral Interventions Committee.** This committee develops, implements, and monitors procedures for using behavioral interventions in accordance with Board policy 7:230, *Misconduct by Students with Disabilities*. This committee reports and makes recommendations to the Board of Education.

Superintendent Committees

The Superintendent creates Superintendent committees as he or she deems necessary and makes all appointments. Superintendent committees report to the Superintendent, who consults with and makes recommendations to the Board. Superintendent committees include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. **REC Committee.** (REC Contract Section 3.7) At the request of the Board or the Riverside Education Council ("REC"), the Superintendent shall meet with the REC President to discuss the implementation of the collective bargaining agreement between the Board and the REC and other items of mutual concern. The Superintendent and REC President may include other persons they deem necessary in the meetings.

Nothing in this policy limits the authority of the Superintendent or designee to create and use committees that report to him or her or to other staff members.

LEGAL REF.: 5 ILCS 120.
105 ILCS 5/10-20.14 and 5/14-8.05.

CROSS REF.: 2:110 (Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers), 2:200 (Types of School Board Meetings), 2:240 (Board Policy Development), 7:190 (Student Discipline), 7:230 (Misconduct by Students with Disabilities)

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