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School Board Meeting Agenda Item

Topic: Committee Assignments
 Contact(s):
 Presenter(s): Board Chair

Nature of Action Requested by Board

Board action
 Board information or scheduled report

Background Information

The school board adopts a list of committee and liaisons on a yearly basis. In meetings with board members in late 2020, several themes emerged on how to improve the effectiveness and efficiencies of committees:

Number of committees	<p>To make our committees more efficient, we could combine some committees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance and Operations • Personnel, Non-Certified Negotiations, and Teacher Negotiations. <p>Earlier this calendar year, the school board authorized a Teaching and Learning Committee.</p>
Timing of committee meetings	<p>Most of our committees meet before regular board meetings and workshops so that board members do not need to use an extra evening on school-related business.</p> <p>On some evenings, we have two committee meetings followed by a regular meeting. This limits how much time can be spent in committees.</p>
Number of committee members	<p>Generally, there are three members on each committee. This means just one more board member creates a quorum of the board, but having three members also creates more diverse opinions.</p> <p>Other options include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two board members on each committee • Two board members plus an alternate on each committee

Posting of materials	As with board meetings, there could be an emphasis on posting meeting materials on Wednesdays before meetings take place.
Presentations	During board and committee meetings, presentations could be limited to 5-8 minutes.

Recommendation

None at this time.