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## **213 SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEES**

### **I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to provide for the general structure and the operation of committees or subcommittees of the school board.

### **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

- A. It is the policy of the school board to designate school board committees or subcommittees when it is determined that a committee process facilitates the mission of the school board.
- B. The school board has determined that certain permanent standing committees, as described in this policy, do facilitate the operation of the school board and the school district.
- C. A committee or subcommittee is advisory in nature and has only such authority as specified by the school board.
- D. The school board will receive reports or recommendations from a committee or subcommittee for consideration. The school board, however, retains the right and has the duty to make all final decisions related to such reports or recommendations.
- E. The school board also may establish such ad hoc committees for specific purposes as it deems appropriate.
- F. The school board reserves the right to limit, create or abolish any committee as it deems appropriate.
- G. A committee of the school board may not appoint a subcommittee of that committee without approval of the school board.

### **III. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES**

- A. The school board hereby appoints the following committees:

1. Buildings and Grounds
  2. Transportation Negotiations
  3. Classified Employee Negotiations
  4. Teacher Negotiations
  5. Administrative Negotiations
  6. Finance/Insurance
  7. Delano City/School
- B. The school board hereby authorizes the appointment of representatives to the following organizations and committees:
1. Meeker and Wright Special Education Cooperative (MAWSECO)
  2. Wright Technical Center
  3. MN High School League & Activities Council
  4. Safe Schools
  5. Schools for Equity in Education (SEE)
- C. For each committee, the school board will establish the number of members and their term.

#### **IV. PROCEDURES FOR SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEES**

- A. A committee or subcommittee shall act only within the guidelines and mission established for that committee or subcommittee by the school board.
- B. The power of a committee or subcommittee of the school board is advisory only and is limited to making recommendations to the school board.
- C. A committee or subcommittee of the school board shall, when appropriate, clarify in any dealings with the public that its powers are only advisory to the school board.

***Legal References:*** None

***Cross References:*** MSBA/MASA Model Policy 201 (Legal Status of the School Board)  
 MSBA/MASA Model Policy 203 (Operation of the School Board – Governing Rules)  
 MSBA Service Manual, Chapter 13, School Law Bulletin “C”  
 (Minnesota’s Open Meeting Law)