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Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative

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Operational Services

Facility Management and Building Programs

The Executive Director shall manage the Cooperative's facilities and grounds as well as facility construction and building programs in accordance with the law, the standards set forth in this policy, and other applicable Board policies. The Executive Director or designee shall facilitate: (1) inspections of schools by the Regional Superintendent and State Fire Marshal or designee, and (2) review of plans and specifications for future construction or alterations of a school if requested by the relevant municipality, county (if applicable), or fire protection district.

Standards for Managing Buildings and Grounds

All Cooperative buildings and grounds shall be adequately maintained in order to provide an appropriate, safe, and energy efficient physical environment for learning and teaching. The Executive Director or designee shall provide the Advisory Board with periodic reports on maintenance data and projected maintenance needs that include cost analysis. This policy is not intended to discourage efforts to improve the appearance of buildings or grounds that are consistent with the designated use of those buildings and grounds.

Standards for Green Cleaning

For Cooperative-owned facilities, the Executive Director or designee shall establish and supervise a green cleaning program that complies with the guidelines established by the Illinois Green Government Coordinating Council.

Standards for Facility Construction and Building Programs

As appropriate, the Advisory Board will authorize a comprehensive study to determine the need for facility construction and expansion. On an annual basis, the Executive Director or designee shall provide the Advisory Board with projected facility needs, enrollment trends, and other data impacting facility use. Advisory and Administrative Agent Board approval is needed for all new facility construction and expansion.

When making decisions pertaining to design and construction of school facilities, the Advisory Board will confer with members of the staff and community, the Illinois State Board of Education, and educational and architectural consultants, as it deems appropriate. The Advisory Board's facility goals are to:

1. Integrate facilities planning with other aspects of planning and goal-setting.
2. Base educational specifications for school buildings on identifiable student needs.
3. Design buildings for sufficient flexibility to permit new or modified programs.
4. Design buildings for maximum potential for community use.
5. Meet or exceed all safety requirements.
6. Meet requirements on the accessibility of school facilities to disabled persons as specified in State and federal law.
7. Provide for low maintenance costs, energy efficiency, and minimal environmental impact.

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LEGAL REF.: 42 U.S.C. §12101 et seq.
20 ILCS 3130/, Green Buildings Act.
105 ILCS 5/2-3.12, 5/10-20.49, 5/10-22.36, 5/17-2.11, 140/, and 230/
410 ILCS 25/, Environmental Barriers Act.
820 ILCS 130/, Prevailing Wage Act.
23 Ill.Admin.Code Part 151, School Construction Program; Part 180, Health/Life
Safety Code for Public Schools; and Part 2800, Green Cleaning for Elementary
and Secondary Schools.
71 Ill.Admin.Code Part 400, Ill. Accessibility Code.

CROSS REF.: 2:150 (Committees), 2:170 (Procurement of Architectural, Engineering, and
Land Surveying Services), 4:60 (Purchases and Contracts), 8:70
(Accommodating Individuals with Disabilities)

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Comment [AKL1]: This policy is unchanged; the
Legal References are updated.

105 ILCS 5/2-3.12 and 23 Ill.Admin.Code Part 180
contain the Health, Life and Safety Code. Among its
mandates is the decennial *safety survey report*. After
1-1-2015, all "new school building construction"
must include a storm shelter that meets or exceeds
the ICC/NSSA Standard for the Design and
Construction of Storm Shelters (ICC-500) published
jointly by the International Code Council and the
National Storm Shelter Association (105 ILCS 5/2-
3.12, P.A. 98-983, eff. 1-1-2015).

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