

Committees

The Board 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 (including but not limited to: posting agendas and approved minutes). A Board committee may not take final action on behalf of the Board – it may only make recommendations to the Board.

Standing Board Committees

A standing committee is created for an indefinite term although its members will fluctuate. Standing committees include but are not limited to:

- **Board Policy Committee**
This committee researches policy-related issues, and provides information and recommended revisions and new policies, administrative procedures and exhibits to the Board. Committee members include: Board members, Attorney for the District, District-level administrators, and others as needed. See Board Policies 2.20, Powers and Duties of the Board; Indemnification and 3.40, Superintendent.
- **Community Engagement Committee**
This committee promotes communication and positive engagement among students, parents, community and staff to enhance the Board's leadership and oversight of the District. It works to ensure that activities are coordinated and district resources are best-utilized to achieve common goals. Committee members include: Board members, District-level administrators, and others as appropriate. See Board Policies 2.20, Powers and Duties of the Board; Indemnification and 8.10 Connection with the Community.
- **Finance Committee**
This committee provides on-going review concerning the status of the District's budget, remains alert to issues impacting the financial health of the District, and meets with the auditors. Committee members include Board members, District-level administrators and business office staff as appropriate. See Board Policies 2.20 Powers and Duties of the Board; Indemnification, 4.10 Fiscal and Business Management.
- **Superintendent Evaluation Committee**
This committee provides leadership to the Board in conducting evaluations of the Superintendent. Committee members are Board members. See Board Policy, 3.40 Superintendent.
- **Behavioral Interventions Committee**
This committee develops and monitors procedures for using behavioral interventions in accordance with the Board Policy 7.230, Misconduct by Students with Disabilities, and provides information and recommendations to the Board. At the Board President's discretion, the Parent-Teacher Advisory Committee shall perform the duties assigned to the Behavioral Interventions Committee. Committee members include, as appropriate,

Board members, District-level administrators, and others. See Board Policy 7.230, Misconduct by Students with Disabilities.

- **Parent-Teacher Advisory Committee**

This committee assists in the development of student behavior policy and procedure, and provides information and recommendations to the Board. The committee reviews such issues as administering medication in the schools, reciprocal reporting between the District and local law enforcement agencies regarding criminal and civil offenses committed by students, student discipline, disruptive classroom behavior, school bus safety procedures, and the dissemination of student conduct information. Committee members include Board members, the Attorney for the District, the Director of Special Education, other District-level administrators, building level administrators, teachers, parents/guardians, and others whose expertise or experience is needed. See Board Policies 7.100 Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students, 7.180, Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment, 7.190, Student Behavior, 7.220, Bus Conduct, and 7.230, Misconduct by Students with Disabilities.

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.

Board Representation

The Board recognizes a need to participate as representatives of the District upon request by community/school agencies or organizations. Board representations include but are not limited to:

- Beyond the Books Educational Foundation Board of Directors
- Corn Belt Division of the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB)
- McLean County Regional Planning Commission
- Unit 5 Educational Foundation Board of Directors

Superintendent Committees

Nothing in this policy limits the authority of the Superintendent to create and use committees that report to the Superintendent or to other staff members. See Administrative Procedure 2.150-AP1, Superintendent Committees.

LEGAL REF.: 5 ILCS 120/, Open Meetings Act.
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 Board Meetings), 2.240 (Board Policy Development), 7.190 (Student Behavior), 7.230 (Misconduct by Students with Disabilities)