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Date: February 9, 2026
To: Dr. Robert J. Halverson, Superintendent of Schools &
East Aurora School District 131 Board of Education
From: Dr. Laura Erlenbaugh, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services
Mr. Jonathan Simpson, Associate Superintendent of Learning and Leadership
Subject: Parent Advisory Committees

The Issue:

Illinois law requires school districts to establish several parent advisory committees to support student programming and ensure parent input. These include, but are not limited to, the Bilingual Parent Advisory Committee (BPAC), a Parent-Teacher Advisory Committee, and a Behavioral Interventions Committee. [Board Policy 2:150](#) outlines the purpose, composition, and responsibilities of these required committees.

At this time, the district's Bilingual Parent Advisory Committee (BPAC) is established and functioning as required. However, the district may wish to consider formally assembling the Parent Advisory Committee as outlined under 105 ILCS 5/10-20.14. This committee is intended to provide parent input on matters such as student discipline practices, behavioral interventions, school safety procedures, coordination with law enforcement, medication administration, and the communication of student conduct expectations.

In addition, the Parent Advisory Committee could also fulfill the role of the Behavioral Interventions Committee. State guidance allows for this overlap, provided that the committee evaluates the district's behavioral intervention policies and procedures at least annually. Combining these functions would support compliance while reducing duplication and promoting more coordinated parent engagement.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that as a district we formally establish the Parent Advisory Committee in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/10-20.14 and designate this committee to also fulfill the annual review requirements of the Behavioral Interventions Committee. Administration will return to the Board with proposed membership, structure, and an implementation timeline.

Resources:

- EA BOE Policy 2:150 – <https://www.d131.org/files/board-policies/Policy-2150..pdf>
- IASB Clearing Up the Confusion on Board Committees - https://www.iasb.com/IASB/media/School-Law/BoardCommittees_FAQ.pdf
- ISBE BPAC Requirements - <https://www.isbe.net/Pages/BPAC.aspx>

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