

First Reading - Policy Update 125



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Policy Update 125 process:

- Review local policy updates to get a clear understanding of changes and revisions.
- Review updates with Executive Leadership Team
- Provide guidance to colleagues who need support in the policy change that affects their area.
- Provide First Reading of Policy as a Report Only item.
- Bring policy to the Board of Trustees for approval.

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BDAA - Duties & Requirements of Board Officers

Board Officers

The Board shall elect a President, a Vice President, and a Secretary who shall be members of the Board. ~~The Board may assign a District employee to provide clerical assistance to the Board.~~ Officers shall be elected by majority vote of the members present and voting.

Term and Duties

Board officers shall serve for a term of ~~two years~~ two years or until a successor is elected. Officers may succeed themselves in office. Each officer shall perform any legal duties of the office and other duties as required by action of the Board.

President

In addition to the duties required by law, the President of the Board shall:

1. Preside at all Board meetings unless unable to attend.
2. Have the right to discuss, make motions ~~and~~, propose resolutions, and vote on all matters coming before the Board.

BDB - Board Internal Organization - Board Committees

Board Committees

For purposes of this policy, a Board committee is a committee composed only of current Board members.

Formation of a Board committee shall be by Board action. ~~These committees may include District personnel~~When establishing a Board committee, the Board action shall, at a minimum, specify the:

- Number of Board members on the committee;
- Process to appoint Board members to the committee;
- Term of committee membership; ~~and citizens. The function of committees~~
- Responsibilities of the committee.

A Board committee shall be fact-finding, deliberative, and advisory, ~~but not administrative. Special~~and shall make recommendations in the areas of their responsibility. Board committees shall report their findings and recommendations to the Board and shall ~~be dissolved upon completion of the assigned task or vote of the Board~~not assume administrative duties or responsibilities.

~~The President of the Board and the Superintendent shall be ex officio members of all Board committees, unless otherwise provided by Board action.~~

Transacting Business

~~Committees may transact business only within the specific authority granted~~Unless specified by the Board, ~~To be binding, all such business,~~ a Board committee shall not have final decision-making authority. Board committee recommendations must be reported to the Board at ~~the next~~a regular or special meeting ~~for approval and entry into the minutes as a public record.~~ The Board shall not accept a Board committee's recommendation without due consideration of the matter.

Dissolution

A Board committee shall be dissolved upon Board action.

Board Sub-Committees

- Facilities
- Policy
- Finance

BDF - Board Internal Organization - Advisory Committees

Advisory Committees

For purposes of this policy, an advisory committee is a committee composed primarily of District staff, parents, other community members, and/or students. An advisory committee may also include Board members in numbers less than a quorum of the Board.

Formation of an advisory committee shall be by Board action. When establishing an advisory committee, the Board action shall, at a minimum, specify the:

- Number of members on the committee;
- Process to appoint members to the committee;
- Term of committee membership; and
- Responsibilities of the committee.

An advisory committee shall be fact-finding, deliberative, and advisory and shall not assume administrative duties or responsibilities. Advisory committees shall report their findings and recommendations to the Board.

Transacting Business

An advisory committee may transact business only within the specific authority granted by the Board. To be binding, all such committee recommendations must be reported to the Board at a regular or special meeting for approval and entry into the minutes as a public record.

Dissolution

An advisory committee shall be dissolved upon completion of the assigned task or Board action.

Advisory Committees

- GT Advisory Committee
- Technology Advisory Committee
- DEEC
- CTE Advisory Committee

EI - Academic Achievement

Certificate of Coursework Completion

The District shall not issue a certificate of coursework completion to a student who fails to meet all state and local requirements for graduation. [See EIF, FMH]

Partial Credit

When a student earns a passing grade in only half of a course and the ~~combined grade for~~ average of both halves is lower than 70, the District shall award the student credit for the half with the passing grade.

FDE - Admissions School Safety Transfers

Safe Schools Data

The Superintendent shall ensure that the District complies with Texas Education Agency (TEA) guidelines for the collection and maintenance of data regarding:

1. Mandatory expellable offenses committed at school or at a school-related or school-sponsored activity, on or off school property [see FOD]; and
2. Any student who becomes a victim of one of the following violent criminal offenses, ~~as defined by the Penal Code~~, while on the premises of the school the student attends or while attending a school-sponsored or school-related activity, on or off school property:
 - a. Attempted murder;
 - b. Indecency with a child;
 - c. Aggravated kidnapping;
 - d. Aggravated assault on someone other than a District employee or volunteer;
 - e. Sexual assault or aggravated sexual assault against someone other than a District employee or volunteer;
 - f. Aggravated robbery; ~~or~~
 - g. Continuous sexual abuse of a young child or disabled individual; ~~or~~
 - ~~g~~.h. Bullying.

Foreign Exchange Student Waiver

- Limits the number of foreign exchange students at LVHS to 5 per academic year.
- Waiver good for 3 years. (25-26, 26-27, 27-28)
- Current waiver expired at end of 24-25 academic year.