

## *Board Committees*

### Function

Committees (“Board Committees”) shall be established by the Board President to assist the Board in the conduct of its affairs. At the request of the Board, the President shall establish ad hoc Board Committees for special purposes.

While Board Committees may make recommendations to the full Board, Board Committees are not authorized to take official action on behalf of the Board or District as the term “official action” is defined in the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act.

### Standing Committees

There shall be standing Board Committees in the areas of education, facilities, finance, and policy. Standing Board Committees may be established in other areas if approved by a majority of the Board.

### Appointment

The President of the Board shall have the authority to appoint and remove Board Committee chairpersons and other Board committee members. In making all appointments, the President shall take into consideration the training and special talents of individual Board members. A review of Board Committee appointments may be initiated by a majority of the Board.

### Membership

The President of the Board shall be, ex officio, a member of all Board Committees.

Board Committee members shall inform the chairperson of their committee or the Administrative Office when they are unable to attend a Board Committee meeting.

Where practical, Board Committee chairpersons and memberships should rotate among the Board members so that each has the opportunity to serve on each Board Committee.

### Committee of the Whole

The Board shall, when desirable, act as a Committee-of-the-Whole. No Board Committee, including the Committee-of-the-Whole, shall have legislative or administrative power.

### Public Comment

Unless held as an executive session or information session, Board Committee meetings shall be open to the public. A member of the public present at a Board Committee meeting may address the Board Committee in accordance with law and other Board policies and procedures. The Board Committee may provide for additional opportunities for public comment at its discretion or as required by law.

Cross References

65 Pa. C.S. §703

Policy and Regulation 1120: Communications with the School Board

Policy and Regulation 1305: Code of Civility (General Public)

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