

## Internal Operations

**SUBJECT: COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD**

The Board and/or the President of the Board may at its discretion establish committees for the purpose of undertaking a specific task in connection with Board activity. These committees, however, cannot make legal decisions for the entire Board.

At the request of the Board, the President shall appoint temporary committees consisting of less than a quorum of the full membership for special purposes. These committees shall be discharged on the completion of their assignment. The President of the Board shall be an ex-officio member of such committees.

The Board of Education recognizes that it may be necessary from time to time to authorize advisory committees for the purpose of enlisting opinions and counsel of the general public. Such committees shall be appointed by the Board of Education. The Board has the right to accept, reject or modify all or any part of a committee recommendation.

**Audit Committee**

The Board has established an audit committee to oversee the annual audit of the District, and report on its findings to the Board.

**Visitation Committees**

The Board of Education shall appoint one (1) or more committees to visit every school or department at least once annually and report on their conditions at the next regular meeting of the Board.

**District Advisory Committees**

The practice of utilizing ad hoc advisory committees, composed of lay citizens and school personnel to advise the Board of Education and school officials, is recognized as a valuable means of communication between the school and the community. Committees will be organized at the Board's request as specific needs or tasks are identified and function until the need or task is completed.

The objective of the District Advisory Committees include:

- a) Providing a two-way communication channel between the school and the community;
- b) Increasing the information gathering capabilities of the Board of Education and school officials;
- c) Providing a means for lay citizens to contribute to the planning process;

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- d) Making recommendations to the Board of Education concerning the specific activity the committee was organized to achieve.

Education Law Sections 1708, 2116-c and 4601

NOTE: Refer also to Policy #5572 -- Audit Committee

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