

Board of Education

Committees

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The Board of Education may create Board committees as deemed necessary. The Board President makes all Board committee appointments unless specifically stated otherwise. The Board President has the discretion to appoint non-voting members. Notice of Board committee meetings shall be given at Board of Education meetings in the same manner as notice for special meetings, and Board committee meetings shall be open to the public. Board committees report directly to the Board. The Board of Education may function as a committee of the whole.

Special and Standing Committees shall operate under the following guidelines:

1. The committee chairperson sets the agenda with input from other committee members, the Board of Education as a whole, and the administrative liaison.
2. A committee's function is to review, investigate and provide recommendations to the Board. A committee can take no action other than making recommendations to the Board.
3. Committees shall not create nor appoint sub-committees without prior Board approval.
4. Only designated committee members (excluding administrative representative) may vote.
5. Public participation at committee meetings shall be permitted at all committee meetings by a maximum of five (5) members of the public. Each member of the public may speak for up to three (3) minutes each at each meeting. A written request to address the committee must be submitted to the Coordinator to the Board, 501 7th Street, Rockford, IL, no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Friday immediately preceding the committee meeting in which the member would like to speak, and no earlier than one (1) week prior to the meeting on the form posted on the District's website at: www.rps205.com.
6. Written minutes will be maintained from all committee meetings and will be available to the Public only after they have been formally approved.

The following are some Board committees:

1. **Standing Board Committees**
Standing committees are created for indefinite terms to fulfill continuing District needs for investigation and monitoring of specific issues. The Committee of the Whole is a standing committee. All previously established Board committees will be discontinued as of June 30, 2018.
2. **Special Board Committees**
Special Board Committees may be created for specific purposes or to investigate special issues. A special committee shall be automatically dissolved after presenting its final report to the

Board or at the Board’s discretion. Citizen advisory committees may be used to interpret school needs to the community and to gather information from the community.

All Board Member appointments to special committees will be made by the Board President. The Superintendent will appoint the administrative representative who will serve as a non-voting resource person on each committee. It will be the responsibility of the administrative representative to maintain the official record of each committee meeting.

Special committees shall consist of between five (5) and seven (7) members. Two (2) of the committee members shall be Board Members and, at the discretion of the committee chair, between three (3) and five (5) shall be community members. One of the community members may be a member of the District’s teaching staff who serves as a volunteer on the committee.

LEGAL REF.: 105 ILCS 5/10-20.5, 5 ILCS 120/1 et. seq.

CROSS REF.: 2.10

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