

ADVISORY COMMITTEES TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The School Committee will rely on various advisory committees to counsel it as one means of discerning the needs and desires of the school district and its residents. The central purpose of all advisory committees is to contribute to the educational program by conducting studies, identifying problems, and developing recommendations that will enhance the effectiveness of the decision-making process. The ultimate authority to make decisions will continue to reside in the powers and duties of the School Committee as imposed by law.

Specific topics for study or well-defined areas of activity shall be assigned in writing to each committee. Upon completing its assignment, each committee shall be dissolved promptly, and shall not be allowed to continue for prolonged periods without a definite assignment. Each committee shall be instructed as to the length of time each member is being asked to serve, the service the School Committee wishes it to render, the resources the School Committee intends to provide, the approximate dates on which the School Committee wishes it to submit reports, and the approximate date on which the School committee wishes to dissolve the committee. Furthermore, the committee shall be instructed as to the relationship it has to the School Committee, to individual School Committee members, to the School Committee member(s) assigned to provide liaison, and to the Superintendent, the committee assistant, and the remainder of the professional staff.

The School Committee shall have sole power to dissolve any of its advisory committees and shall reserve the right to exercise this power at any time during the life of any committee.

The School Committee shall seek the advice of the Superintendent before establishing or dissolving any advisory committee.

All appointments of citizens to advisory committees for the School Committee shall be made by the School Committee.

All appointments of staff members to citizens' advisory committees for the School Committee shall be made by the Superintendent after approval of the School Committee.

The School Committee shall see that the public is made aware of the services rendered by such committees of citizens as it may appoint and shall see that the public is informed of the major conclusions and recommendations made by such committees. All public announcements concerning the organization, membership, operation, recommendations and dissolution of such committees shall be made at such time and in such manner as the School Committee may choose.

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