

ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE SCHOOL BOARD

The school board may, after a majority vote of members present, appoint an advisory committee to advise the school board regarding particular programs or issues as identified by the school board. Only those committees appointed by the school board will be considered as advisory committees. A school board member(s) may or may not be part of a committee to be advisory.

The central purpose of an advisory committee is to conduct studies, identify problems and develop recommendations on issues identified by the school board for consideration.

The superintendent of schools or designee shall identify, in writing for any advisory committee upon its appointment, the specific issues or activities that the school board has assigned the committee to consider. The superintendent or designee shall also notify the advisory committee of the length of time for service, the resources the school board intends to provide, and the approximate date on which the school board expects the advisory committee to complete its responsibilities and be dissolved. The superintendent or designee may also identify dates for periodic reports on the progress being made by the advisory committee.

Each advisory committee serves in an advisory capacity only, proposing recommendations based on analysis of an issue, and exists only as long as is necessary to conduct the study and issue a report to the school board.

The school board will consider all recommendations made by an advisory committee, although final action is the sole discretion of the school board. The superintendent or his/her designee is responsible for communicating to the members of the advisory committee any actions taken by the school board regarding reports or recommendations by the advisory committee.

Upon completing its assignment, each advisory committee is either dissolved promptly or may be given a new assignment. An advisory committee is not allowed to continue for prolonged periods without definite assignments. The board has the sole power to dissolve any of its advisory committees and reserves the right to exercise this power at any time during the life of any committee.

The school board shall make all appointments to advisory committees. The superintendent shall make recommendations to the board of a district staff member who may be considered to serve on an advisory committee.



The Right to Know Law and its exceptions apply to any advisory committee appointed in accordance with this policy including notification of public body meetings (*reference Policy BEDA*)

Legal References:

RSA 91-A:1, *Access to Governmental Records and Meetings; Preamble*

RSA 91-A:2, *Access to Governmental Records and Meetings; Meetings Open to Public*

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