

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEES

The Board of Education recognizes that it can use the talents, resources, and interests available among district residents to assist in developing the programs needed for the maintenance of a quality educational program in the schools of the district. To that end, the Board shall, at its discretion and in accordance with state law and regulation, appoint Citizens Advisory Committees of representative residents of the district to meet with the Board to provide advice and reaction about important matters before the Board which may have special significance for the community.

There will be no standing overall advisory committee to the Board. Each citizens committee organized by the Board shall be appointed and discharged by official Board resolutions. Resolutions appointing such committees shall state specifically the scope of the work of the committee.

Appointments to Citizens Advisory Committees shall be on the basis of interest, experience, expertise, and concern. No one shall be appointed as a representative of a specific group or area, unless it is the express purpose of the Board to have all areas of the community represented, in which case the Board will, in its discretion, appoint representative members of every such group or area. The Board shall make every effort to form a committee that is representative of the entire community.

The Board will instruct each advisory committee as to the length of time each member is being asked to serve and the service the Board wishes the committee to render, as well as the extent and limitations of the committee's responsibilities.

Recommendations of advisory committees will be based on research and fact. Committees shall report all suggestions and recommendations to the Board and Superintendent of Schools prior to public release. Final reports shall be delivered to the Board at a meeting scheduled by the Board to receive the report.

The Board may accept, reject, or return committee recommendations for further study. Any action stemming from committee reports is the responsibility of the Board. Publicity or the release of information, concerning committee findings shall be the responsibility and the prerogative of the Board. Advisory committees shall be discontinued upon completion of their assignment(s).

Cross-ref: 2250, Board Committees
4315.1, AIDS Instruction
4321, Programs for Students with Disabilities
6110, Budget Planning

Ref: Education Law §§4402; 4601
8 NYCRR §135.3(2)

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