

Advisory Committees to the Board

The Board will solicit the advice and counsel of citizens in planning and operating the schools.

The Board will recognize a lay support group organized for a school support purpose, and will consider reports and recommendations from an advisory group that has been formally recognized by the Board.

The Board may establish advisory committees as a means of developing and maintaining community understanding, commitment, and support for long-range development and improvement of educational programs and services.

The composition of advisory committees to the Board will be broadly representative and will take into consideration the specific tasks assigned to the committee. Appointment of community members to an advisory committee will be made by the Board; appointment of staff members, when appropriate, will be made by the superintendent.

The Board will adopt guidelines for each committee as appropriate, which will include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. The charge to the committee, setting forth the service the Board wishes the committee to render and the extent and limitations of its responsibilities;
2. The resources the Board will provide;
3. The length of time the committee is asked to serve and the approximate date(s) on which the Board wishes to receive committee report(s).

Except as specifically provided by the Board, as in the case of the agriculture and forestry advisory committees, citizen advisory committees will cease to function when their reports have been received or when the purposes for which they were established have been accomplished or cease to be relevant.

The Board may be represented on lay and professional committees that serve the Board in an advisory capacity, with specific Board members appointed by the chair, but normally such Board members will function as ex officio members of the committees.

The Board's responsibility cannot be delegated or surrendered to others; therefore, all recommendations of an advisory committee must be submitted to the Board for action and must be recognized as advisory in nature.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 192.610](#)

[ORS 192.630](#)

[ORS 294.414](#)

[ORS 329.704](#)

[ORS 332.107](#)

OR. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, OR. ATT'Y GENERAL'S MODEL PUBLIC CONTRACT RULES MANUAL (2003).