

***Policy Type: Governance Culture*****Board Committees/Liaisons**

The Board may create committees if they are deemed helpful to assist the Board in the performance of its responsibilities. If committees are established, they will be used exclusively to support the work of the Board as described in Policy GC-3, and will never be created or used to assist the Superintendent in any operational area.

1. Board committees and other such entities by whatever name created by the Board will not be used to direct, advise, assist or oversee the staff. Committees customarily will prepare recommendations for Board consideration. Board committees will have no authority over staff, and may exercise demands on staff time and organizational resources only to the extent authorized in this policy.
2. Annually members of the board will be appointed to serve in a liaison capacity to various community and/or staff committees. The liaison role will be dictated by the rules and makeup of the specific committee. For example, their role may be as a voting member of one committee, but ex officio/non-voting on another. In general the liaison role is seen as a communication linkage, rather than one in which the board member speaks for or represents the full board of education. Issues requiring action by the full board would be brought to the full board, with the liaison member able to more fully inform the decision due to their liaison role. Typical liaison assignments follow.
  - a. Head Start Policy Council
  - b. Recreation Commission
  - c. Youth Friends
  - d. Hutchinson Community College Area Vocational School
  - e. Educational Facilities Authority of Reno County
  - f. District Benefits Committee
3. Board committees may not speak or act for the Board. The responsibilities and authority of all Board committees are carefully stated in this policy to assure that committees fully understand their duties and extent of authority, and to assure that committee work will not usurp or conflict with the Board's own authority or conflict with authority delegated to the Superintendent.
4. All Board committees are considered to be ad hoc, or temporary. The date for their termination is listed for each committee. Committees may be renewed or reauthorized upon their expiration, but unless the Board acts to renew the committee's existence, it shall cease to exist upon the date specified
5. All Board committees are listed below.

**Board committees:**

**A. Name:**

**a. Purpose/Charge:**

- 1)
- 2)

**b. Membership:**

- 1)
- 2)

**c. Reporting Schedule:**

**d. Term:**

**e. Authority Over Resources:**

**B. Name:**

**a. Purpose/Charge:**

- 1)
- 2)

**b. Membership:**

- 1)
- 2)

**c. Reporting Schedule:**

**d. Term:**

**e. Authority Over Resources:**

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***Monitoring Method: Board self-assessment***

***Monitoring Frequency: Annually per work plan***

Hutchinson, KS USD 308 Board of Education