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CITIZEN OR STAFF ADVISORY COMMITTEES

At its discretion, the Board of Education may establish study committees to investigate specific topics and to report committee findings and recommendations to the Board of Education for its consideration.

These committees will be ad hoc in nature and will be dissolved when they have completed the task assigned by the Board of Education. In establishing a study committee, the Board of Education will approve a charge to the committee which specifies the nature of the work to be done and the date by which a final report is expected.

Members of study committees will be appointed by the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent. Study committees may be largely citizen or staff committees depending on the nature of the task at hand. Staff members will be a minority of a citizens committee membership, and citizens will be a minority of a staff committee. The Board of Education will appoint one of its members and a designee of the Superintendent of Schools to provide liaison with the study committee. The Board will have sole power to dissolve any of its study committees and may exercise this right at any time during the life of the committee.

At the request of the committee the Superintendent will appoint a member of his professional staff to assist in carrying out the work assigned to it. Expenditure of district funds by a study committee shall be made only upon prior approval of the Superintendent. Arrangements for the use of supplies and equipment will be made through this committee assistant.

Study committees will present their findings and recommendations to the Board at a public meeting. The Board of Education will exercise its best judgment with regard to accepting the recommendations of a study committee and will not be bound to accept them. The Board will provide a clear response to committee recommendations identifying the recommendations that are acceptable and those that are not. The Board will inform the public of the services rendered by the study committee.