

GC-5

Policy Type: Governance Culture**Board Committees**

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 or oversee 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. Board committees may not speak or act for the board unless specifically authorized. 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.
3. All board committees (except those listed below) are considered to be ad hoc, or temporary. Each committee will be dissolved after the completion of its task or by the specified date. All board committee meetings are subject to the open meetings law.
4. The board will have 3 standing committees: Financial, Facilities, and Human Resources. These committees and the Chair of these committees will be appointed by the Board Chair and approved by the Board. After meeting the committees may elect a new chair of the committee as needed. They will meet at least once each quarter. Each committee will consider their respective roles and may recommend changes to their role to be approved by the full board. The committees will consider:
 - a. Board Governance policy changes. All policy changes will be recommended to and approved by the full board.
 - b. Becoming informed with respective departments, including RFP's for their respective departments as needed.
 - c. Developing any board work plans and scheduling board information as needed.

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Monitoring Method: *Board self-assessment*

Monitoring Frequency: *Annually in January*