

Community Relations

Participation by the Public -- Citizen Advisory Committees

The Board of Education recognizes that citizen advisory committees enable the Board to better understand the interests and concerns of the community.

The Board shall establish citizen advisory committees when required by law, to strengthen the effectiveness of District and school operations, or to enhance student learning. The purpose of any such committees shall be clearly defined and aligned to the District's vision, mission, and goals. The Board may dissolve any advisory committee not required by law when the committee has fulfilled its duties or at any time the Board deems it necessary.

The Superintendent or designee may establish advisory committees which shall report to him/her in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

Citizen advisory committees shall serve in an advisory capacity; they may make recommendations, but their actions shall not be binding on the Board or Superintendent.

The membership of citizen advisory committees should reflect the diversity of the community and represent a diversity of viewpoints.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide training and information, as necessary, to enable committee members to understand the goals of the committee and to fulfill their role as committee members.

Within budget allocations, the Superintendent or designee may approve requests for committee travel and may reimburse committee members for expenses at the same rates and under the same conditions as those provided for District employees.

Legal References: Education Code, Sections 8070; 11503; 15278-15282; 15359.3; 17387-17391; 35147; 44032; 52060; 52063; 52176; 52852; 54425; 5444.1-5444.2; 56190-56194; 62002.5; 64001
Government Code, Sections 810.2; 810.4; 815.2; 820.9; 6250-6270; 54950-54963
United States Code, Title 42, Section 1758b
Court Decisions: Frazer v. Dixon Unified School District, (1993) 18 Cal.App.4th 781

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