

Policy Type:	Governance Process
Policy Title:	4.7 School Board Committee Principles

School Board committees, when used, will be assigned so as to reinforce the wholeness of the School Board's job and so as never to interfere with delegation from School Board to Superintendent. Accordingly:

- 4.7.1 School Board committees are to help the School Board do its job. Committees act according to their charter as laid out in Policy GP 4.8 and/or by School Board direction. In keeping with the School Board's broader focus, School Board committees will not advise staff or have direct dealings with staff operations.
- 4.7.2 School Board committees may not speak or act for the School Board except when formally given such authority for specific and time-limited purposes. Expectations and authority will be carefully stated in order not to conflict with authority delegated to the Superintendent.
- 4.7.3 School Board committees cannot exercise authority over staff. Because the Superintendent works for the full School Board, he or she will not be required to obtain the approval of a School Board committee before an executive action.
- 4.7.4 This policy applies to any group that is formed by School Board action, whether or not it is called a committee and regardless of whether the group includes School Board members. It does not apply to committees formed under the authority of the Superintendent.

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