RELATIONS WITH PARENT ORGANIZATIONS

Code **KBE** *Revised* **11/24**

Purpose: To establish the basic structure for board and district relations with parent organizations.

The board authorizes the formation of cooperative parent-school groups that will provide legitimate and systematic participation to foster selected school activities. Among these are booster clubs, parent-teacher organizations, parent support groups, business-school partnerships and education foundations. The board believes that for a successful community-school organization to exist, the propelling and compelling impetus for such an organization must be a spirit of altruism, cooperation and supportive action rather than discord, confrontation and usurpation of legitimate board and administrative prerogatives.

Each group will be required to submit the name of the group, a statement of its purpose and regulations governing the group's involvement, the name of each of the group's officers, including its designated financial officer, to the superintendent for review and approval by the board by no later than August 1st of each year. Groups who fail to register by the August 1st deadline will be prohibited from disbursing monies raised to benefit school or district programs.

These groups will not have administrative authority in connection with the operation of the school or district**.** The board has final authority over monies raised to benefit the school or district programs. Equipment and other items donated to a school, including donations solicitated in the name of the school or district become the property of the district.

These organizations need administrative approval for any events, programs or operations that involve the following.

- the participation of children
- operation of a school or district service
- charges to children
- solicitation of children
- communications sent home with all children in a school

The board directs the principal to establish regulations and procedures which will provide for an orderly and systemic operation of such organizations, including the assignment of an administrator to serve as liaison to the organizations. The board further directs the administration periodically to evaluate the productivity and impact of the support groups.

Parent organizations desiring to use the name of the district or a school to organize, fundraise, or advertise must obtain the approval of the board or the board's designee as a prerequisite. Continued use of the school's name, logo, mascot, etc., is contingent upon compliance with all applicable board policies and regulations.

State Law Enforcement Division (SLED) Background Checks

The district will obtain a name-based criminal record history check from SLED on all financial officers upon receipt of a parent organization's registration. The results of the name-based check will be presented to the board for review. The board will notify the organization that its financial officer is prohibited from serving in that role if the name-based check reveals that

the financial officer was convicted of, or pled guilty or nolo contendere to a felony, theft, forgery, embezzlement, fraud, or financial crimes involving the use of a financial transaction card (e.g., Credit card, bank services card, debit card, etc.).

This policy governs all groups currently in existence in the district as well as those formed after the date of adoption of this policy.

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