

**BOARD COMMITTEES**

The School Board may establish special committees of the Board as deemed necessary. The membership of these committees is limited to less than a majority of the whole Board. The Board believes each Member has value to add to committees and encourages all Members to participate in at least one committee. All Board committees will include an alternate Board member. These alternates will be called upon in the even an assigned Board Member is unable to attend and represent the Board. Due to extenuating circumstances, a Board member may submit a written request to the Board president to be exempt from committees; the Board President will provide a written response accepting or denying the request. The Board President retains discretion to assign Board Members to committees consistent with Board Policy 7121.

The Board shall establish written charges for Board committees. When its charges or duties have been completed, the special committee shall be dissolved.

The President of the School Board and the Superintendent of Schools shall be ex-officio members of all special committees.

Committees may actively seek input and participation by parents/guardians, staff, community, and students, and may consult with local public boards and agencies.

Committees shall act in an advisory capacity, making recommendations to the Board. No committee action shall be binding on the full Board. The Board, as a whole, shall have final consideration in all matters.

The President of the Board shall appoint all special ad hoc Board committees and the Chair thereof.

Committee meetings are subject to the state open meetings act.

*Legal Reference:*

ALASKA STATUTES

29.20.020 Meeting public

44.62.310 Agency meetings public

44.62.312 State policy regarding meetings

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