

Advocacy Ad Hoc Committee Terms of Reference

Purpose:

The Advocacy Ad Hoc Committee (the “Committee”) is an ad hoc committee established by the Board of Education (Bylaw 9140 Ad Hoc Committee of the Board) to develop advocacy action plans in partnership with input from our stakeholders to support public education initiatives.

Deliverables:

The Committee may address a variety of issues including appropriate funding, service provision, curriculum, governance, public engagement and other matters as directed by the Board of Education.

Membership:

The committee will be comprised of the following members assigned annually:

- Two Trustees appointed by the Board Chair
- The Superintendent and/or designate and another member of senior administration, Secretary-Treasurer, or designate
- District Communications Staff
- Other District staff appropriate to serve the discussion

Background:

The Advocacy Ad Hoc Committee (“the Committee”) was established by the Board for the purpose of developing advocacy action plans to support the Board’s effective advocacy on issues facing public education. The Committee’s work has focused on identifying what is effective advocacy and determining priorities for advocacy as directed by the Board from time to time.

Procedure:

The Superintendent shall call the Committee to convene following a motion (referral) of the Board.

Reporting:

Once convened, the Committee shall provide regular updates and recommendations to the Board of Education through the Education Policy and Directions Committee and a final report will be prepared once the committee has completed its assigned task.

Voting:

Decisions will be made by consensus whenever possible. If no consensus is reached, a majority vote will take place.

Procedural Notes:

- All trustees may attend and contribute to the discussions.
- The Chair of the Committee shall be decided at the inaugural meeting of the Committee and yearly thereafter.

- Guests and or members of the public shall be invited to meetings at the discretion of the Chair of the Committee.

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