

BDF – Advisory Committees/Councils.

The Board encourages the participation of citizens of the district in decision-making processes. However, the legal responsibility for decision-making in all matters of policy and operation rests with the Board.

1. Advisory committees, both district-level and at the school level, shall function within organizational frameworks approved by the Board. A staff member or members will be assigned to each district-level advisory committee to help it develop appropriate bylaws, carry out its functions and coordinate its work with other advisory committees and staff.
2. Whenever, by law, the Board is required to create and appoint a committee, the Board shall create such a committee by adopting a separate policy specifying the committee and its role.
3. School- and district-level advisory committees that are required under federal and state law or programs, but are not required to be created and appointed by the Board, shall be formed by the Superintendent or a designee (or, in the case of collaborative school committees, as provided in the policy or rules relating to collaborative school committees) and shall function in accordance with the requirements pertaining to each specific federal or state law or program. The Superintendent or a designee shall develop such procedures as may be needed for the implementation of these advisory committees.
4. Community groups that are neither appointed by the Board nor formed as required under federal or state programs are encouraged to offer suggestions and advice to the Board in order to assist it in the decision-making process. The final responsibility for all decisions, however, rests with the Board of Education alone.
5. When required by statute, appointments of citizens to advisory committees shall be approved by the Board. Otherwise, appointments of advisory committees shall be made by the Superintendent or a designee. An advisory committee member shall be removed from office by the appointing authority if that member does not attend three consecutive meetings unless the committee by resolution approves any additional absences or unless such absences are due to temporary disability or illness. In addition, the committee by majority vote may request the removal from office of any member. Such removal shall require subsequent approval by the appointing authority.
6. If required by state law, advisory committee meetings shall be open to the public and meeting notices shall be posted. If notice of the meeting is legally required, such notice shall be posted in the same place and manner as notices of Board meetings.

LEGAL REF.:

C.R.S. 22-9-107

C.R.S. 22-11-301(a)

C.R.S. 23-8-103 (2)(c)

C.R.S. 23-60-303

Rules for Administering State Assistance for Vocational Education, 1984, Section IV

20 U.S.C. 3221 (defines drug abuse education and prevention)

20 U.S.C. 3224a, Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1986, as amended in 1989

C.R.S. 22-28-105

C.R.S. 22-11-401

CROSS REFS.:

BDFA – Personnel Performance Evaluation Council

BDFG – District Accountability Council

BDF – R1, Career and Tech Ed Council

BDF – R2, Preschool Program Council

BDF – R3, Drug-Free Schools Advisory Council

BDF – R4, Collaborative School Committees