# Independent School District No. 2752 Fairmont Area Schools Fairmont, MN

## POLICY 213 SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEES

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### I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide for the structure and the operation of committees or subcommittees of ISD No. 2752 School Board.

#### II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- A. It is the policy of the School Board to designate School Board committees or subcommittees when it is determined that a committee process facilitates the mission of the School Board.
- B. The School Board has determined that certain permanent standing committees, as described in this policy, do facilitate the operation of the School Board and the school district.
- C. A School Board committee or subcommittee will be formed by School Board resolution which shall outline the duties and purpose of the committee or subcommittee.
- D. A committee or subcommittee is advisory in nature and has only such authority as specified by the School Board.
- E. The School Board will receive reports or recommendations from a committee or subcommittee for consideration. The School Board, however, retains the right and has the duty to make all final decisions related to such reports or recommendations.
- F. The School Board also may establish such ad hoc committees for specific purposes as it deems appropriate.
- G. The School Board reserves the right to limit, create or abolish any standing or ad hoc committee as it deems appropriate.
- H. A committee of the School Board shall not appoint a subcommittee of that committee without approval of the School Board.

### III. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

- A. The School Board hereby appoints the following standing committees:
  - Board Governance Committee President and Vice President Duties: Emergency Situations; Responsible for employee contract negotiations with the ability to appoint one additional board member to the committee.
  - 2. Staff Welfare Committee Duties: Staffing and Personnel; Contract Negotiations
  - 3. Operations Committee Duties: Budgets; Finances; Capital Purchases; Property Management
  - 4. Combined Curriculum / Policy Committee Duties: School Curriculum; District Policy
- B. The School Board will establish, by resolution, for each standing or ad hoc committee the number of members, the term and the charge or mission of each such committee.
- C. The School Board chair shall appoint the members of each standing or ad hoc committee.

## IV. PROCEDURES FOR SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEES

- A. All meetings of committees or subcommittees shall be open to the public in compliance with the Open Meeting Law, and notice shall be given as prescribed by law.
- B. A committee or subcommittee shall act only within the guidelines and mission established for that committee or subcommittee by the School Board.
- C. Actions of a committee or subcommittee shall be by majority vote and be consistent with the governing rules of the School Board.
- D. The minutes of the action of the committee shall be recorded and distributed to the full board.
- E. The power of a committee or subcommittee of the School Board is advisory only and is limited to making recommendations to the School Board.
- F. A committee or subcommittee of the School Board shall, when appropriate, clarify in any dealings with the public that its powers are only advisory to the School Board.

 

 Legal References:
 Minn. Stat. Ch. 13D (Open Meeting Law)

 Cross References:
 ISD No. 2752 Policy 201 (Legal Status of the School Board) ISD No. 2752 Policy 203 (Operation of the School Board – Governing Rules) MSBA Service Manual, Chapter 13, School Law Bulletin "C" (Minnesota's Open Meeting Law)