

Under provisions of district policy BDF (LOCAL), the Advocacy Advisory Committee (AAC) is established by and serves at the will of the Board of Trustees. The administration shall designate an appropriate staff member to serve as the Committee Coordinator (the Coordinator).

The Committee shall be a standing advisory body and shall serve to provide guidance and counsel to the Board of Trustees, Superintendent and District administration. The Committee shall have no power to expend public funds, enter into contracts, or otherwise

All regular meetings of the AAC shall be open to the public, and the public shall have opportunity to provide comment. The co-chairs may limit the time given to speakers. (See the district's Communications and Visitor Requirements.) Subcommittee meetings and retreats are not required to be open to the public.

For regular meetings of the AAC, a quorum shall be a majority of the current membership. Meetings may be held absent a quorum for purposes of presentations or discussions. However, no action may be taken without a quorum.

Members' attendance shall be monitored by the AAC Coordinator, who shall work with members to address and resolve any attendance problems. More than three unexcused absences within a one-year period may result in dismissal of the member by the AAC Coordinator. Excused absences include, but are not limited to, personal or family illness, emergency situations, jury or military duty, or mandatory employment duty. It shall be the responsibility of the members to report excused absences to the Coordinator, and the Coordinator shall record excused absences. In cases of numerous excused absences or long-term absences, the Coordinator shall consider the factors in each individual case and determine whether continued service c eac **G**

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If a vacancy occurs after a co-chair's term has commenced, the AAC shall elect a new co-chair to serve for the remainder of the term.

The responsibilities of the co-chairs nM