

# NORTH PENN SCHOOL DISTRICT

## School Board Policy

**1221**

### **COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

#### **Participation by the Public**

##### **Citizens Advisory Committees for the Board**

The board may from time to time identify topics on which it wishes to seek the recommendations of a committee of citizens specially selected for the task because of their particular capabilities. While the board cannot delegate its legal decision-making responsibility to any advisory committee, it will regard the recommendations of such committees seriously in its own decision making.

In appointing a committee, the board will define in writing the area to be studied and establish any limitations for committee activity that are not apparent in this or other policy statements. The size of the committee will be determined by the board consistent with the nature and scope of the topic to be studied. Each committee shall be instructed as to the length of time each member is being asked to serve, the service the board wishes it to render, the resources the board intends to provide, and the approximate dates on which the board wishes to dissolve the committee. Furthermore, the committee shall be instructed as to the relationship it has to individual board members, to the superintendent, and to the remainder of the professional staff.

The superintendent shall serve as the liaison between the committee and the board. He/she shall arrange for resources and any staff members whose services are deemed important to the successful functioning of the committee. School facilities shall be available for committee meetings.

Both majority and minority reports will be entertained by the board in the event that the committee cannot reach agreement.

Upon completion of the task, or if no progress is made toward completion, the board shall dissolve the committee. Appropriate publicity recognizing the service of committee members and revealing the contents of their report will be arranged for by the board.

**Policy:**

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