



School Boards and Committees

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We take the law seriously, not ourselves!



A circular inset shows Han Solo pointing his finger at Princess Leia. Han Solo is on the left, wearing a white shirt, and Princess Leia is on the right, wearing a blue jacket. The background is a blue, metallic interior with a red light and a blue light.

The Committee Strikes Back

- **Han Solo:** There's no time to discuss this as a committee!
- **Princess Leia:** I am not a committee!

Standard Board Policy

BB 9130 SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEES

- The School Board may establish committees of the School Board as deemed necessary. The membership of these committees is limited to less than a majority of the whole School Board. The School Board shall establish written charges for School Board committees. When their charges or duties have been completed, committees shall be dissolved.
- The president may be a member of any committee. The Superintendent or designee may serve as an advisor to any committee at the discretion of the School Board.
- Committees may actively seek input and participation by parents/guardians, staff, community and students, and may consult with local public boards and agencies.
- Committees shall act in an advisory capacity, making recommendations to the School Board. No committee action shall be binding on the full School Board. The School Board as a whole shall have the final consideration in all matters.
- Committee meetings are subject to the State of Alaska Open Meetings Act.

Different Committees

- Standing Committees (Budget, Legislative, Calendaring, etc.)
- Ad hoc committees
- Advisory School Boards (Community School Committees)
- Charter School Academic Policy Committee



Open Meeting Act

- (h) In this section,
 - (1) “governmental body” means an assembly, council, board, commission, committee, or other similar body of a public entity with the authority to establish policies or make decisions for the public entity or with the authority to advise or make recommendations to the public entity; “governmental body” includes the members of a subcommittee or other subordinate unit of a governmental body if the subordinate unit consists of two or more members;



Advisory School Boards (Communit y School Committee s)

AS 14.08.115. Advisory school boards in regional educational attendance areas. (a) A regional school board shall establish advisory school boards in each community in the regional educational attendance area that has more than 50 permanent residents, and by regulation shall prescribe their manner of selection and organization, and, in a manner consistent with (b) of this section, their powers and duties.

(b) An advisory board shall advise the regional school board on all matters concerning schools in the community in which the advisory board is established.

Sec. 14.12.035. Advisory school boards in borough school districts. A borough school district board may establish advisory school boards, and by regulation shall prescribe their manner of selection, organization, powers, and duties.



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Charter School Academic Policy Committees

In [AS 14.03.250](#) - 14.03.290,

(1) "academic policy committee" means the group designated to supervise the academic operation of a charter school and to ensure the fulfillment of the mission of a charter school

The Academic Policy Committee hires the charter school principal. AS 14.03.255

School Boards and Committees. What is the Board's role?

- More than a rubber stamp
- Deference to the Committees work and expertise
- School Board cannot micromanage every aspect of the School District







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