## SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND ADVISORY COMMITTEES

The Chairperson of the Board of Education shall appoint temporary and special committees as may be deemed necessary or advisable by the Board of Education, and the Chair shall be an ex-officio member of each committee.

The duties of the Committee shall be outlined at the time of appointment, and the committee shall be considered dissolved when its final report has been made to the Board of Education. The exception is the Negotiations Committee, which may be appointed when it is time to negotiate a contract.

The Negotiations Committee is responsible for representing the Board with regard to negotiations with professional staff. The duties include:

- Act as an agent for the Board. All decision and acceptances are made by the full Board.
- Negotiate with a positive undertaking and an honest, sincere attitude toward reaching a fair and equitable agreement.
- Maintain confidentiality while negotiations are ongoing.
- Research its positions to bring current and local information to substantiate statements.
- Accept clear directions and parameters within which to negotiate.
- Keep the Board apprised of the negotiations process.
- Advise the Superintendent in negotiations with administrators and non-certified staff.

No committee shall have power other than to recommend to the Board of Education unless specifically authorized. No committee, or member of a committee, is authorized to make any contract or enter into any agreement, which involves the expenditure of money, unless the Board in either a regular or special meeting authorizes such contract or agreement.

All committees shall keep minutes of business conducted at meetings. The minutes will be kept on file in the Superintendent's office and available at all times to the Board of Education members.

All committees of the Board of Education shall follow the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act as required by statute.

(cf. 9130 - Committees) (cf. 1220 - Advisory Committees to the Board)

Legal References: Connecticut General Statutes

1-200 through 1-241 of the Freedom of Information Act

1-200 Definitions

1-225 Meetings of Government Agencies to be Public