

ROLES OF THE STAFF AND BOARD LIAISONS TO ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Assigned staff and Board liaisons to advisory committees act as resources during committee discussions and in attaining the goals of the committees. Liaisons are non-voting members and should not participate in debates unless asked, or unless they observe a potential violation of Alexandria City School Board (Board) policies. Staff and Board liaisons observe the authority of the advisory committee Chair, the bylaws and the rules of order established by the committee. The Board Chair reserves the right to reassign the Board liaison, and the Superintendent has the right to reassign the staff liaison. The advisory committee Chair may submit a formal request for the removal of a Board or staff liaison through a memo to the Board Chair. The advisory committee membership must be notified of the request by the advisory committee Chair.

Staff liaisons must attend 75 percent of advisory committee meetings. In instances where the staff liaison cannot attend the meeting, they must endeavor to secure a replacement.

Board liaisons attend advisory committee meetings at the request of the advisory committee Chair.

The staff liaison:

- Acts as an advisor to both the committee and the Board through the Superintendent;
- Works with the advisory committee to refine the Scope of Work so that is aligned with the Board's goals or statutory requirements;
- Assists the advisory committee in pursuing its Scope of Work by
 - providing reasonable support and resources,
 - advocating for budgetary goals to advance the committee's work, and
 - helping to set monthly agendas, and
 - Supporting the committee Chair in presenting the committee's work to the Board.

"Reasonable support" includes data reports and staff resources, including requesting/coordinating/providing any data necessary for the committee to develop its Scope of Work and Annual Report, and to make comprehensive recommendations regarding the Division's (relevant) annual plan, in accordance with Policy BCF.

The Board liaison:

- Acts as an advisor to both the committee and the Board regarding the committee's Scope of Work.
- Works with the advisory committee to refine its Scope of Work so that is aligned with the Board's goals or statutory requirements.
- Upon request, assists the advisory committee in pursuing its Scope of Work through
 - providing advice on budgetary needs,
 - assisting with any policy development or adjustments to advance the committee's work,
 - sharing their opinion of the Board's perspective on topics if appropriate,
 - sharing their personal opinion of topics as distinct from the Board's opinions;

- 47 ● Notifies the Board Chair or Vice Chair if the staff liaison requires assistance in requesting
48 the necessary data for the committee to refine its Scope of Work and develop its Annual
49 Report, or to make comprehensive recommendations regarding the Division's (relevant)
50 annual plan.
- 51 ● Ensures the committee operates in a manner consistent with ACPS policy and the
52 regulations.
- 53 ● Reports on the committee's work to the Board, when appropriate.

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59 Legal Ref.: 20 U.S.C. §§ 5964(a)(6), 6318(e)(12)

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Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§ 2.2-3700-3714, 22.1-18.1, 22.1-78,
62 22.1-86, 22.1-275.1

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8 VAC 20-40-60(B)
65 8 VAC 20-81-230(D)
66 8 VAC 20-120-50

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68 Cross Refs.:	BCE	School Board Committees
69	BCF	Advisory Committees to the School Board
70	BCF-R	Regulations of Advisory Committees to the School Board
71	BCFB	Bylaws for School Board Advisory Committees
72	BDA	Regular School Board Meetings
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7 violation of Alexandria City School Board (Board) School Board policies. ~~Liaisons should request~~
8 ~~a place on the School Board agenda to report staff or School Board items that directly relate to the~~
9 ~~mission of the advisory committee.~~

10 Staff and Board liaisons ~~need to~~ observe the authority of the ~~a~~Advisory ~~c~~Committee Chair, the
11 bylaws and the rules of order established by the committee. ~~Chairs represent the advisory~~
12 ~~committee's goals and set the agenda with the ACPS staff and Board liaisons. Any topics of~~
13 ~~substance must be brought to the committee at large. If a committee cannot secure a quorum for~~
14 ~~three consecutive meetings, the Board and/or staff liaison shall communicate that to the Clerk of~~
15 ~~the Board to update the Board Chair and Superintendent. A quorum shall equal a simple majority~~
16 ~~of all serving committee members. Any vacancies on the committee shall not be included in the~~
17 ~~calculation of a quorum.~~

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18 ~~The Board is responsible for the advisory committee and its membership. The Board and staff~~
19 ~~liaison will assist the committee to actively recruit new members when necessary. At a minimum,~~
20 ~~the Clerk of the Board and the Office of Communications will publicize committee vacancies each~~
21 ~~January, June and September.~~

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35 **The staff liaison ~~must:~~Be assigned to the committee by the Superintendent;**

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- 37 ● ~~Act~~s as an advisor to both the committee and the ~~School~~Board through the Superintendent;
38 ~~Attend at least 75 percent of the meetings, unless participating in a work related event;~~
 - 39 ● ~~Ensure a response to the annual report, through the Superintendent, to the School~~
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The Board liaison ~~must~~ Be assigned to the committee by the Board Chair;

- Acts as an advisor to both the committee and the School Board regarding the committee’s Scope of Work. ~~Attend at least 75 percent of the meetings, unless participating in a School Board meeting or work session~~ Reviews the annual report, presented through the Superintendent, to the School Board to advise on any budgetary or policy needs;
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 - o sharing their personal opinion of topics as distinct from the Board’s opinions;
- Notifies the Board Chair or Vice Chair if the staff liaison requires assistance in requesting the necessary data for the committee to refine develop its Scope of Work and develop its Annual Report, or to make comprehensive recommendations regarding the Division’s (relevant) annual plan.
- Ensures the committee operates in a manner consistent with ACPS policy and the regulations.
- Reports on the committee’s work to the School Board, when appropriate.

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