

Policy Committee Charter

The Policy Committee of the Wappingers Central School District is a standing advisory committee of the Board of Education that meets regularly to review and revise existing policies and propose new policies.

Purpose/Charge

The purpose of the Policy Committee is to draft new policies and update existing ones, when needed. Current policies are systematically reviewed, but policies can also be reviewed and updated as needs arise.

The Policy Committee reviews policies under the following charge:

1. Ensure that policies comply with law
2. Bring policies to administration to ensure they are current practice
3. Review suggestions made by NYSSBA, the school district attorney, board members, staff, parents, and the community

Composition/Membership

The Policy Committee is composed of three board members appointed by the Board President at the Reorganization meeting, the Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, and the District Clerk (recorder). The Board President serves as ex-officio on the Policy Committee.

Recommendations are arrived at through a process of full discussion in which each member has an equal voice and responsibility. In consensus, and after a decision is reached, all members agree to support the decision. When making recommendations to the Board, the committee does not have to reach agreement. In those cases, it will report the key points from multiple perspectives to the Board.

Meeting Notice

Public notice of all Policy Committee Meetings shall be posted on the District website not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

The District Clerk shall post the agenda and minutes from all meetings on the District's website.

Reporting

The Policy Committee Chairperson shall provide the Board of Education with a report during Board Communications at regularly scheduled meetings of the Board.

The Policy Committee Charter shall be reviewed annually.