

CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEES

- I. The New Hartford Central School District Board of Education may establish citizen advisory committees as one means of discerning the needs and concerns of the School District and its residents.
- II. The purpose of such citizen advisory committees is to address specific problems, issues and projects, except for those committees otherwise established by law. Final decisions on all matters remain with the Board of Education. Persons are asked to serve on committees in an advisory capacity only.
- III.
 - A. The composition of all citizen advisory committees shall be defined by the Board of Education at the inception of each specific committee. Committee membership should reflect the subject matter to be considered, as well as the population/geography of the District.
 - B. All such committees shall have as a member one representative of the Board of Education and/or the Chief School Officer, as appropriate, to serve as a liaison.
 - C. One member of the committee shall be appointed as Chairperson by the Board to oversee the functions and reports of the committee.
- IV.
 - A. Upon establishment, each committee shall receive instruction as to the length of time the committee will exist, the service the Board desires the committee to render, the extent and limitations of the committee, and the appropriate dates on which the Board expects reports from the committee.
 - B. Except for those committees established by law, the Board has the power to dissolve any advisory committee and may exercise this power at any time.
- V. The Board may consider and vote upon the recommendations of any advisory committee(s). However, the Board has the right to accept, reject or modify all or parts of such recommendations.
- VI. To insure the integrity and credibility of the committee, the committee shall follow to the maximum extent possible the intent of the Open Meetings' Law.

New Hartford Central School District

Legal Ref: Sections 4402 and 4601, New York State Education Law; Article 7, Public Officers' Law

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