

Hancock Central School District

The Wildcat Pledge: We nurture and empower each learner's unlimited capacity to become a responsible citizen with a promising future.

Our Vision: Striving for excellence as an innovative, advanced and reflective school community.

Core Beliefs:

- **Our mindset:** We do whatever it takes to ensure continuous growth because we believe each of us can learn.
- **Collaboration:** We work better together, always.
- **Innovation:** We embrace creativity and advancing technology.
- **Integrity:** We trust, respect, support and care for one another.
- **Learning environment:** Our approach is engaging, learner-centered and adaptable to individual needs.
- **Student centered:** We put students first.

HCS Board Policy Committee

Members

Gene Homer, Board of Education Member

Terrance Dougherty, Superintendent of Schools

Mission Statement

The Board Policy Committee serves as the Board's vehicle for policy review, change, monitoring current policies and annually updating the HCS Board Policy Manual.

Major Committee Functions

- Review/update existing policy for the Board of Education annually, as directed by the Board.
- At the direction of the Board of Education, the Policy Committee will respond to the need for policy review and writing of any new policy that might arise from administrative recommendations, citizen's requests, and/or statutory requirements or specific Board member concerns.
- Assess existing policies for coverage, including consistency or conflict with other policies, evaluate current practice of compliance with the policies, and distinguish between policies and procedures.
- Develop a process and governance framework through which district policies are formulated, vetted, approved, reviewed, maintained, communicated and enforced.
- At the direction of the Board, review and present recommendations to the Board for any policy with a question of interpretation.
- Review procedure statements that accompany policies to ascertain conformance with Board policy.

All decisions shall be reached by consensus or a vote of a simple majority of the total membership of the committee. The group consensus and/or voting of the Policy Committee will be summarized and presented to the Board of Education for review and vote.

The HCS Policy Committee shall be fact-finding or advisory in nature and not executive. Committees and committee members shall not have the power to make monetary or other decisions for the Board.

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