

Ordinance 2024-25-81

Section 2-2.7:01 Special Committee created to make certain recommendations; duties listed; written report required; sunset provision. — A. It is the expressed intent of the School Board to fully engage citizens in the affairs of the School Board and that of Suffolk Public Schools through their involvement and active participation in citizen advisory committees as set forth in Policy Section 2-2.7:1. To this end, the School Board has created a special committee of the School Board to review the overall effectiveness of citizen advisory committees and to identify any barriers that impede and or limit the functionality of citizen advisory committees. This Committee will also make recommendations to the full School Board to address, but not be limited to, the following regarding citizen advisory committees:

1. appointment of members;
2. member retention;
3. member participation at meetings;
4. training for committee members;
5. grievance procedures for committee members;
6. and committee reporting.

B. In order to carry out its stated objective and prepare a written detailed report to the full School Board, the special committee of the School Board will do all things necessary to include, but not be limited to, the following, regarding citizen advisory committees:

1. survey committee members to receive their input;
2. interview committee chairs,
3. attend committee meetings;
4. review any written policies, guidelines and/or procedures adopted by any committee; and
5. to evaluate the impact of school employees serving on committees.

C. The Committee must make its final written report to the full School Board on or before April 27, 2025 at a regularly scheduled meeting of the School Board.

D. The policy will cease to be effective without any additional action by the School Board on April 27, 2025.

Legal Authority - Virginia Code §§ 22.1-78.