



## DISTRICT PRACTICE 9400

### DISTRICT PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

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#### **DISTRICT PRACTICE:**

1. Establishment and Dissolution
  - 1.1. Elected Officers of a school parent advisory council may make application to the Board for the establishment of a district parent advisory council. Upon receipt of an application, the Board shall establish a district parent advisory council.
  - 1.2. The District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) shall establish a constitution and bylaws and file a copy with the Board.
  - 1.3. The District Parent Advisory Council shall make bylaws governing its meetings and the business and conduct of its affairs, including bylaws governing the dissolution of the council.
  - 1.4. The District Parent Advisory Council shall provide copies of all meeting agendas and minutes to the Board through the Secretary Treasurer of the District.
2. Membership shall be composed of:
  - 2.1. DPAC elected officers.
  - 2.2. One representative elected by each school parent advisory council.
3. The function of the District Parent Advisory Council will be to:
  - 3.1. Promote the interests of education throughout the District.
  - 3.2. Make recommendations to the Board on district-wide matters relating to the education and well-being of students.
  - 3.3. Provide a means of communication between various school parent advisory councils to assist with and coordinate activities common to these groups.
  - 3.4. Provide for DPAC communications: email and website using an independent platform such as Google.
4. The District Parent Advisory Council will not involve itself in discussion of individual school district personnel, students or parents.
5. A representative from the District Parent Advisory Council shall be provided a place on the regular Board meeting agenda upon request.
6. The roles, duties and responsibilities of elected DPAC representatives vary but generally, DPAC representatives:
  - 6.1. Act as a liaison between the PAC and DPAC by attending PAC and DPAC meetings
  - 6.2. Bring forward issues that may be common to more than one school.

POLICY 9400 District Parent Advisory Council

**ADOPTED: October 12, 2021**

**Amended:**

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#### 7. Communication Protocol

School District 6 respects the rights of parents to assure that education decisions are made in the best interest of students. DPAC as an advisory council has opportunity to provide advice to District Administration through representation on various committees. DPAC members represent the voice of parents from across SD6.

- 7.1. When issues are brought forward to DPAC the Chair will communicate in writing and identify the concern to the Superintendent or designate. The Superintendent or designate will respond in writing within 10 business days.