

BOARD COMMITTEES

Committees will be appointed by the president of the board. These committees are created for specific tasks of seeking information or investigation and will report back to the board for its consideration and action. Committee action is advisory only. Each committee will have a chairperson appointed by the president. In addition to appointing the three members to the Committee on American Civics at the annual board organizational meeting in January for one year, the board may wish to appoint additional committees on topics such as

- a. curriculum, instruction and assessment,
- b. personnel and community relations,
- c. facilities and finance,
- d. technology and equipment,
- e. transportation,
- f. negotiations, and
- g. policy.

The Committee on American Civics shall:

1. Hold no fewer than two public meetings annually, at least one when public testimony is accepted;
2. Keep minutes of each meeting showing the time and place of the meeting, which members were present or absent, and the substance and details of all matters discussed;
3. Examine and ensure that the social studies curriculum used in the district is aligned with the social studies standards adopted by the Nebraska Department of Education and teaches foundational knowledge in civics, history, economics, financial literacy, and geography;
4. Review and approve the social studies curriculum to ensure that it stresses the services of the men and women who played a crucial role in the achievement of national independence, establishment of our constitutional government, and preservation of the union and includes the incorporation of multicultural education to instill a pride and respect for the nation's institutions and not be merely a recital of events and dates;
5. Ensure that any curriculum recommended or approved by the committee on American civics is made readily accessible to the public and contains a reference to this section;
6. Ensure that the district develops and utilizes formative, interim, and summative assessments to measure student mastery of the social studies standards adopted by the Nebraska Department of Education;
7. Ensure that the social studies curriculum in the district incorporates one or more of the following for each student:
 - a. naturalization test used by United States Citizenship and Immigration Services prior to the completion of eighth grade and again prior to the completion of twelfth grade with the individual score from each test for each student made available to a parent or guardian of such student; or

Approved _____ Reviewed _____ Revised _____

