

## Cooperative Boards

### Committees

The Operational Board may establish committees to assist with the Operational and Governing Boards' governance function and, in some situations, to comply with State law requirements. Those committees are known as Board committees and report directly to the Operational Board. Committee members may include both Board members and non-Board members depending on the committee's purpose. The Operational Board Chairperson makes all Board committee appointments unless specifically stated otherwise. Board committee meetings shall comply with the Open Meetings Act. A Board committee may not take final action on behalf of the Board – it may only make recommendations to the Board.

#### 1. Special Board Committees

Special committees may be created for specific purposes or to investigate special issues; and they provide information and recommendations to the Operational and Governing Boards. A special committee is automatically dissolved after presenting its final report to the Board or at the Board's discretion.

#### 2. Standing Board Committees

Standing committees are created for indefinite terms to fulfill continuing Cooperative needs for investigation and monitoring of specific issues; and they provide information and recommendations to the Operational and Governing Boards. Standing committees include Policy, Finance, and Facility.

Nothing in this policy limits the authority of the Executive Director or designee to create and use committee that report to him or her or to other staff members.

LEGAL REF.: 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq.  
105 ILCS 5/10-20.14 and 10/1 et seq.  
23 Ill. Admin. Code § 226.115 and § 226.350 et seq.

CROSS REF.: 5:40 (Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease), 7:230 (Misconduct by Students With Disabilities), 7:280 (Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease)

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