

FAMILY LIFE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

To involve the public in the review and evaluation of the family life instructional materials, the Washington County Board of Education has created a standing Board advisory committee known as the Family Life Advisory Committee. This committee shall be comprised of representative parents, businesspersons, and community leaders, and staff members who are interested in the content of the family life instructional materials.

THE COMMITTEE OBJECTIVES

In compliance with COMAR 13A.04.18.03, the advisory committee will:

1. Consult with staff in the development, implementation, and evaluation of the family life programs.
2. Review available instructional materials and recommend to the Board the selection of materials to be included in the family life program.

MEMBERSHIP SPECIFICATIONS

The members of the Family Life Advisory Committee shall be appointed by the Board. Membership on the Family Life Advisory Committee shall be limited to no more than 15 members of the staff and community. Three (3) of the voting members shall be representatives from the Washington County Public Schools' staff, as designated by the superintendent. The membership will also include two (2) ex-officio non-voting members who are to be teachers of the traveling team of the family life program. Appointments shall consider groups such as parents/guardians, students, legislators, members of community organizations, clergy, physicians, and members of professional and civic organizations.

TERMS OF OFFICE

1. Individuals may be appointed to a term of office of up to three (3) years.
2. The terms of office may be staggered to allow for the rotation of up to 1/3 of the membership of the Committee over a three (3) year period.
3. No individual shall be appointed to serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms on the Committee unless specifically exempted by the Board. Reappointment to a second term is not automatic.

OPERATIONS SPECIFICATIONS

1. Minutes of each committee meeting shall be kept and forwarded promptly by the staff liaison to the Board and the Superintendent.
2. The committee will report to the Board at least at the following times:
 - a. when making recommendations
 - b. as requested of the Board
3. Reports to the Board shall focus on the following criteria of review:
 - a. the addition or deletion of instructional materials
 - b. changes in COMAR regulations
 - c. assessment data
 - d. age or grade-level appropriateness