

Bond development risk management strategies including project cost escalation assumptions, contingency assumptions, bond management cost estimates, etc.

The Committee will use the Racial Equity and Social Justice framework in its review of bond projects and in providing advice to the Board. Any recommendation from the Committee to the Board will include discussion of any possible impact on historically underserved student populations.

The Committee will receive and review copies of annual performance audits and financial audits, and has the option to inspect school facilities and grounds to ensure Bond revenues are expended in compliance with state law and the ballot measure language.

The Committee will review quarterly reports produced by the District each year the bond proceeds are being spent in order to verify general compliance with the purposes set forth in the capital improvement programs as approved by the voters.

The Committee will report quarterly to the Board as requested by the Board.

The Committee will perform other reasonable duties requested by the Board.

Committee Membership

The Committee shall consist of approximately seven to ten members reflective, to the extent possible, of the diversity of Portland. The Board will appoint committee members and a chairperson.

The committee shall be comprised of individuals with a commitment to fairness and transparency and belief in role of the public sector as stewards of public funds.

The Committee members shall receive no direct or indirect compensation from the District for their services as members of the Committee.

The Committee members may not have an active or pending contract with the District, nor enter into a contract during their term on the Committee.

The Committee may not include any employee or official of the District, or any vendor, contractor or consultant of the District.

A Committee member serves to advise the Board. If a Committee member resigns, violates the Committee Code of Ethics contained herein (see attachment), fails to attend two consecutive Committee meetings without reasonable excuse, or otherwise becomes unable to serve on the Committee, the Board may declare the position on the Committee to be vacant and appoint another qualified person to the Committee.

Members are appointed to staggered 2-, 3- and 4-year terms and may reapply for consideration to serve additional terms. Effective July 1, 2019, a Committee member shall not hold the title of chairperson for more than 3 years. A Committee member may serve for a total of no more than eight years.

Committee Operations

The charge to the Committee does not include:

- Approval of construction contracts;
- Approval of construction change orders;
- Appropriation of construction funds;
- Handling of legal matters;
- Approval of construction plans and schedules;
- Approval of the sale of bonds;
- Priorities and order of construction for the bond projects;
- Selection of architects, engineers, construction managers, project managers, and such other professional service firms;
- The approval of the design for any project;
- The selection of independent audit firm(s), performance audit consultants and such other consultants as are necessary to support the performance of the Bond Program;
- Setting or approving schedules of design and construction activities;
- Activities, roles or responsibilities that have been designated by the Superintendent or her designee to staff or consultants, or any policy-making responsibilities;
- Approval of future bond scopes of work; or
- Approval of current or future project cost estimates.

Committee Meetings

Attachment

Portland Public Schools Capital Construction Bond Citizen Accountability Committee: Code of Ethics

A Code of Ethics provides general guidelines for Committee members to follow in carrying out their roles. Not all ethical issues that Committee members face are covered in this Code

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