

# Governance Policies of the Board

**Title:** Board Committee Structure

**Category:** Governance Process

**Policy No. GP-9**

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Chair: Larry Wilson

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Chair: John L. Varela

The Board of Directors revised and adopted this policy at its public meeting on the latest revision date.

Nominations of Board members to committees shall be made by the Chair subject to approval by the Board, subject to annual review.

## 9.1. Board Committees:

9.1.1. A committee is a Board committee only if its existence and charge come from the Board, regardless whether Board members sit on the committee. Unless otherwise stated, a committee ceases to exist as soon as its task is complete.

## 9.2. Board Members Representation on Board Standing and Ad Hoc Committees:

9.2.1. Board members who are not the appointed representatives to Board Standing or Ad Hoc Committees shall be permitted to attend open noticed meetings of such committees only as observers to watch and listen, and not participate in discussion, ask questions or make statements. The non-appointed Board member(s) must observe the meeting from the area designated for members of the public. During the course of the meeting, appointed representatives of Board Standing or Ad Hoc Committees shall not speak to or otherwise engage with non-appointed Board members attending the meeting as observers.

## 9.3. Board Members Representation on External Committees:

9.3.1. Board members ~~assigned to serve~~ ~~serving~~ on external committees or other governing bodies (~~Board representative~~) shall serve in the best interests of the District unless otherwise required by statute, ordinance, resolution, or other legislative action

9.3.2 Board ~~representatives~~ ~~members~~ shall serve on appointed committees to maintain effective relationships.

9.3.3 Board representatives shall timely notify the Board of any upcoming votes that, in their judgment, require full Board input or approval, including matters involving financial commitments, project progress, or organizational changes, and shall obtain the Board's direction before voting.

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