

A. W. BEATTIE CAREER CENTER

SECTION: LOCAL BOARD PROCEDURES

TITLE: MEMBERSHIP

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<p>SC 1707, 1850.3 Articles of Agreement</p> <p>SC 1707 Articles of Agreement</p> <p>SC 315, 319 65 P.S.</p> <p>SC 315, 319 65 P.S. 271 et seq</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">004. MEMBERSHIP</p> <p>Section 1. <u>Number</u></p> <p>The Joint Operating Committee shall consist of at least two (2) members from each participating school district.</p> <p>Section 2. <u>Election/Term</u></p> <p>The election and terms of members of the Joint Operating Committee shall be in accordance with law and the Articles of Agreement.</p> <p>Section 3. <u>Vacancies</u></p> <p>A vacancy shall occur by reason of death, resignation, removal from a participating district, or otherwise. Any such vacancy shall be filled by the Board of such participating school districts for the unexpired term.</p> <p>Section 4. <u>Removal</u></p> <p>An individual will cease to be a Joint Operating Committee member if his/her term as a member of the Joint Operating Committee expires and he is not re-elected by his/her Board; if his/her term on the participating school district Board expires and such person is not re-elected or does not seek re-election; if the individual resigns from his/her school district Board and/or Joint Operating Committee; or if such person is removed for cause from either the Joint Operating Committee or his/her home School Board.</p>
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Section 5. Expenses

SC 516.1

School directors, a Secretary of the Joint Operating Committee and Joint Operating Committee solicitor(s) shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses actually incurred as delegates to any State convention or association of school directors convention held within the Commonwealth, or for necessary expenses actually incurred in attendance authorized by the Joint Operating Committee at any other meeting held within the Commonwealth or at an educational convention out-of-state. All such expenses shall be itemized and made available for public inspection at the next succeeding meeting of the Joint Operating Committee. No member shall be reimbursed for more than two (2) such out-of-state meetings in one (1) school year. Such expenses shall be reimbursed only upon presentation of an itemized verified statement, except that advance payments may be made upon presentation of estimated expenses to be incurred.

Section 6. Orientation

The chairperson, the Superintendent-of-Record and the Executive Director, shall assist each new member to understand the Joint Operating Committee's functions, policies and procedures before this person takes office.

Each new Joint Operating Committee member shall be provided with materials pertinent to Joint Operating Committee operation, including a copy of the A. W. Beattie Career Center Policy Manual.

Joint Operating Committee members shall be encouraged to participate in meetings and activities of area, State and national school Committee associations, and of other educational groups, and to study and examine the materials received from these operations.

To help members develop understanding of the educational program, the Executive Director shall request members of the professional staff to appear before the Joint Operating Committee from time to time to present and discuss new developments in various areas of curriculums and instruction.

Section 7. Conferences

SC 516, 516.1

In keeping with its stated position on the need for continuing interview training and development for its members, the Joint Operating Committee encourages the participation of all members at School Board conferences, workshops, and conventions.

No member of the Joint Operating Committee may attend a meeting at the Joint Operating Committee expense without prior Joint Operating Committee approval.

Funds for participation at such meetings will be budgeted on an annual basis.

Reimbursement to Joint Operating Committee member for their travel expenses will be in accordance with Section 7 of Policy 004.

Reimbursement shall be limited to actual expenses incurred, and shall not include or be construed to include compensation to individual Joint Operating Committee members.

Section 8. Membership in the State Association

It shall be the policy of the Joint Operating Committee to maintain membership in the Pennsylvania School Boards Association. Through this membership in the State association, the Joint Operating Committee maintains indirect membership in the National School Boards Association.

The Joint Operating Committee shall seek to participate as fully as possible in the activities of these organizations.

Section 9. Conflict of Interest

The business of the Joint Operating Committee is to be conducted free from conflicts of interest or the appearance of conflicts of interest between and among the member districts, their representatives and the A. W. Beattie Career Center's Joint Operating Committee.

All members of the Joint Operating Committee shall be entitled to vote upon all issues which come before the Joint Operating Committee for a vote except those issues which would constitute a conflict of interest for the individual representative under the Pennsylvania School Code or the State Ethics Code.

Where an issue to be voted upon involves the purchase, sale or leasing of real or tangible personal property to or from a member district or involves a contract with a member district through which the member district has or will have a pecuniary interest separate and apart from the other districts, representatives from the district with whom the transaction is to occur shall not vote on the issue.

The solicitor shall rule on all questions which arise in which conflicts or potential conflicts exist. If requested by a majority vote of the Joint Operating Committee, a written opinion in support of the ruling shall be produced by the solicitor.

School Code
301, 302, 303, 301,
305, 315, 319, 321
322, 323, 324, 331
431, 531, 516, 516.1
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PA Statute
65 P.S. 404(d)