## Policy 1.2.3 Board Committees

Board committees may be established to provide advice to the Board on specific matters as determined by the Board. Committees have no authority or decision making in themselves and any decisions require the approval of the Board.

Standing committees provide advice to the Board on an ongoing basis. Working committees are formed for time-limited, specific purposes. When the purpose or goal of the working committee has been accomplished, the committee disbands.

Committees provide an opportunity to engage with staff, students, employee and partner groups, and rightsholders in areas of Board responsibility.

The Board will determine a terms of reference for each standing or working committee that will include the nature of the committee, purpose, goals, membership, representative group participation, chair, appointment, secretariat support, meeting schedule, quorum and reporting mechanisms. The terms of reference for each committee will be published on the District website.

## Guidelines

1. The following provisions govern the appointment of members unless otherwise provided in the terms of reference for the committee.
1.1. Trustee representatives to committees will be assigned by the Chair, in consultation with Trustees.
1.2. Membership by an organization/partner/rightsholder group - Representation will be identified by the group.
1.3. Community members - Where community representation is required, the Committee Chair will work with administration on a process for advertising for interested candidates in local media and the District website.
1.3.1.1. Selection process - The Board will make the final selection for community representation.
2. The Board will support each committee by showing appreciation and acknowledging their work annually.
