



STARGATE SCHOOL

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School Accountability Committee Charter

The School Accountability Committee ("the Committee") is hereby chartered by Stargate School's Board of Directors ("the Board") and the Bylaws of Stargate Charter School ("the Bylaws"). The Committee is defined in and authorized by Article 5.12.1 of the Bylaws. The Board may delegate additional responsibilities consistent with the Bylaws.

Membership

The Committee consists of three elected staff members, five elected parent members, and one non-voting appointed Board liaison. Two Committee Co-Chairpersons – one staff member and one parent member – shall be elected by a majority vote of the committee and shall serve for a one-year term. A secretary is also appointed. Members may resign at any time with advance notice to the Co-Chairpersons.

Term

Each member shall serve a two-year term commencing with the first committee meeting after elections and concluding upon the swearing in of newly elected committee members.

Removal

A member of the committee may be asked to resign at any time as determined by a majority vote of the remaining committee members. Cause for resignation request includes, but shall not be limited to: 1) unethical or illegal conduct; 2) four or more absences from scheduled committee meetings in one calendar year. Should such member decline the resignation request, the Co-Chairpersons shall submit a written request for removal to the Board detailing the cause for removal. The member may be removed by a majority vote of the Board.

Vacancies

Any staff or parent vacancy will be filled in accordance with Section 5.12.2 of the Bylaws. The vacancy will be filled on an interim basis until the next election, at which time a new member will be elected to fill the remaining term of the vacated position.

Meetings and Procedures

Committee Co-Chairpersons (or their designee) shall preside at each meeting of the Committee and set agendas for meetings. The Committee shall have the authority to establish its own rules and procedures to conduct its meetings. The secretary will note attendance and keep minutes, which will be submitted to the Committee members for approval at the following meeting. After approval, minutes of committee meetings will be posted on the school's website within ten days.

The Committee will meet at least quarterly. Notice of upcoming meetings will be emailed to committee members before a meeting and posted on the school website.

Responsibilities

The School Accountability Committee shall monitor the effective governing of the school by assessing the school's progress toward its mission. This will be accomplished by analyzing metrics and targets and conveying the information to the Stargate community and the Board.



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The Committee shall be responsible for the following tasks:

- Operate in a manner consistent with applicable Colorado statues, Colorado Department of Education regulations, and policies of the Board
- Provide input to the Board to assist in establishing goals and improvement plans based upon the school's needs and consistent with the mission and vision of the school and the Strategic Plan
- Track progress made toward meeting improvement goals and strategic plan objectives
- Conduct surveys of the stakeholder community to provide input to the Executive Administrator(s) and Board regarding the assessment of educational programs, student achievement, and staff, parent, and community satisfaction
- Submit the Unified Improvement Plan (UIP) to the Executive Administrator(s) and to the Board for approval
- Send at least one Committee member to each regularly scheduled Board meeting
- Assign a committee member to act as a communication liaison to the Finance Committee

Confidential Information

The Committee may have access to confidential or non-public information of the school. Committee members shall comply with the Confidential Information provisions included in the school's Bylaws.

Completion/Dissolution

The Committee's charter shall be reviewed annually by the Board.

Submitted for approval by:

Co-Chairperson

Date

Approved by:

President of the Board of Directors

Date