



**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
COMMITTEE  
PROGRAMS OF WORK  
Effective March 7, 2018**

Committee Programs of Work are included on the following pages in the order the committees are listed in the Bylaws:

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- IV. AQuESTT Teaching, Learning and Serving Domain Committee
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- VI. Budget and Finance Committee
- VII. Strategic Planning, Performance and Improvement Committee



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### STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Policy Committee PROGRAM OF WORK

#### Committee duties per State Board Bylaw B2: Board Committees

The Policy Committee may be directed to review proposed policies, bylaws or position statements of the Board and report their review or make recommendations for revisions to the Board. The Committee may be requested to develop policy, bylaw or position statement proposals for consideration by the Board.

#### Purpose of the Program of Work

The Program of Work for the Policy Committee is to provide direction to the scope of work for the committee under the direction of the bylaws and the President of the State Board of Education. The items below do not constitute a complete list of matters of business that may come before the committee. Not all items will come before the committee on an annual basis.

#### Regular Business

Regular business generally is presented to the committee monthly, quarterly, semiannually, annually, or on a regular basis determined by board policy or state statute (e.g., every five years). Regular Business to come before this committee may include:

- Review proposed policies, bylaws, or position statements<sup>1</sup>
- Develop policies, bylaws, or position statements

#### Rules

Rules are reviewed regularly by the Nebraska Department of Education staff. Rules submitted to the State Board of Education are generally introduced to the appropriate committee, with the committee making a recommendation to the Board.

Rules to come before this committee may include:

- Rule 61: Contested Cases
- Rule 62: Declaratory Orders
- Rule 63: Rulemaking Petitions
- Rule 64: Negotiated Rulemaking

#### Additional Business

Additional business may come before this committee upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Education and at the direction of the President of the Board.

Additional Business to come before this committee may include:

- Review or develop resolutions

<sup>1</sup>The committee uses a Policy Review Schedule by Year to document and schedule policy review. Contact the Office of General Counsel for the current version.



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### STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Legislative Committee PROGRAM OF WORK

#### Committee duties per State Board Bylaw B2: Board Committees

The Legislative Committee shall be given the specific responsibility of reviewing legislative proposals and making recommendations to the Board for possible action. The Committee shall also be charged with advising the Commissioner on legislative matters at times when the Board is unable to meet or when emergency issues arise.

#### Purpose of the Program of Work

The Program of Work for the Legislative Committee is to provide direction to the scope of work for the committee under the direction of the bylaws and the President of the State Board of Education. The items below do not constitute a complete list of matters of business that may come before the committee. Not all items will come before the committee on an annual basis.

#### Regular Business

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- Review legislative proposals
- Advise the Commissioner on legislative matters when the Board is unable to meet
- Develop of list of legislative priorities

#### Rules

Rules are reviewed regularly by the Nebraska Department of Education staff. Rules submitted to the State Board of Education are generally introduced to the appropriate committee, with the committee making a recommendation to the Board.

Rules to come before this committee may include:

- All rule recommendations from other committees may be reviewed by the Legislative Committee

#### Additional Business

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### STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Commissioner's Appraisal Committee PROGRAM OF WORK

#### Committee duties per State Board Bylaw B2: Board Committees

The Appraisal Committee shall, when directed by the Board or the Board President, review or recommend policies and procedures for the review of performance of the Commissioner of Education. Proposals for procedures and instruments to review the performance of the Commissioner of Education shall be approved by the Board. Any Board Member may request a copy of the current appraisal instrument from the Commissioner's Office.

#### Purpose of the Program of Work

The Program of Work for the Commissioner's Appraisal Committee is to provide direction to the scope of work for the committee under the direction of the bylaws and the President of the State Board of Education. The items below do not constitute a complete list of matters of business that may come before the committee. Not all items will come before the committee on an annual basis.

#### Regular Business

Regular business generally is presented to the committee monthly, quarterly, semiannually, annually, or on a regular basis determined by board policy or state statute (e.g., every five years). Regular Business to come before this committee may include:

- Review and recommend policies and procedures for the review of performance of the Commissioner of Education

#### Rules

Rules are reviewed regularly by the Nebraska Department of Education staff. Rules submitted to the State Board of Education are generally introduced to the appropriate committee, with the committee making a recommendation to the Board.

Rules to come before this committee may include:

- None

#### Additional Business

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### STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AQuESTT Teaching, Learning and Serving Domain Committee PROGRAM OF WORK

#### Committee duties per State Board Bylaw B2: Board Committees

The AQuESTT Teaching, Learning and Serving Domain Committee may be directed to advise and make recommendations to the Board for possible action in connection with College, Career and Civic Ready, Assessment, and Educator Effectiveness tenets.

#### Purpose of the Program of Work

The Program of Work for the AQuESTT Teaching, Learning and Serving Domain Committee is to provide direction to the scope of work for the committee under the direction of the bylaws and the President of the State Board of Education. The items below do not constitute a complete list of matters of business that may come before the committee. Not all items will come before the committee on an annual basis.

#### Regular Business

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- Content area standards approval
- Statewide assessment

#### Rules

Rules are reviewed regularly by the Nebraska Department of Education staff. Rules submitted to the State Board of Education are generally introduced to the appropriate committee, with the committee making a recommendation to the Board.

Rules to come before this committee may include:

- Rule 20: Teacher College Approval
- Rule 21: Teacher Certification
- Rule 22: Master Teacher Program
- Rule 23: Basic Skills Competency Testing
- Rule 24: Endorsements
- Rule 25: Excellence in Teaching Act
- Rule 26: Mentor Teacher Program
- Rule 27: Professional Practices Criteria
- Rule 28: Nonpublic Professional Practices Investigations
- Rule 29: State Board Review of Professional Practices Cases
- Rule 41: Private Postsecondary Career Schools
- Rule 42: Private Postsecondary Career Schools Agents
- Rule 43: Private Postsecondary Schools
- Rule 46: Career Education Partnership Act Grants
- Rule 47: Career Academies

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Additional Business

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### STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AQuESTT Student Success, Access and Support Domain Committee PROGRAM OF WORK

#### Committee duties per State Board Bylaw B2: Board Committees

The AQuESTT Student Success, Access and Support Domain Committee may be directed to advise and make recommendations to the Board for possible action in connection with Positive Partnerships and Student Success; Transitions; and Educational Opportunities and Access tenets.

#### Purpose of the Program of Work

The Program of Work for the AQuESTT Student Success, Access and Support Domain Committee is to provide direction to the scope of work for the committee under the direction of the bylaws and the President of the State Board of Education. The items below do not constitute a complete list of matters of business that may come before the committee. Not all items will come before the committee on an annual basis.

#### Regular Business

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- Annual program reports
- Grant approvals
- Contract approvals

#### Rules

Rules are reviewed regularly by the Nebraska Department of Education staff. Rules submitted to the State Board of Education are generally introduced to the appropriate committee, with the committee making a recommendation to the Board.

Rules to come before this committee may include:

- Rule 3: Identification of High Ability Learners
- Rule 4: Private Student Book Loans
- Rule 11: Early Childhood Education Programs
- Rule 13: Exempt Schools
- Rule 14: Approved Nonpublic Schools
- Rule 15: Education in Students with Limited English Proficiency in Public Schools
- Rule 17: Alternative Schools for Expelled Students
- Rule 18: Interim-Program Schools
- Rule 19: School Enrollment
- Rule 51: Special Education Program Standards
- Rule 52: Provision of Early Intervention
- Rule 53: Special Education Residential Care
- Rule 55: Special Education Appeals
- Rule 59: Regulations for School Health and Safety

*Rules continued*

- Rule 71: Formal Review of Vocational Rehabilitation Determinations
- Rule 72: Vocational Rehabilitation Cost Containment
- Rule 81: High School Equivalency
- Rule 82: High School Equivalency Assistance Act
- Rule 86: Public School Breakfast Program Reimbursement
- Rule 91: Driver Qualifications and Operational Procedures
- Rule 92: Minimum Equipment Standards and Safety Inspection Criteria for Pupil Transportation Vehicles

Additional Business

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### STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Budget and Finance Committee PROGRAM OF WORK

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The Budget and Finance Committee may be directed to advise and make recommendations to the Board for possible action in connection with the Department budget and finance proposals.

The Budget and Finance Committee shall be given the additional responsibility to review the budgets for the NDE Trust Funds. The proposed budget for the Trust Funds shall be approved by the Board.

#### Purpose of the Program of Work

The Program of Work for the Budget and Finance Committee is to provide direction to the scope of work for the committee under the direction of the bylaws and the President of the State Board of Education. The items below do not constitute a complete list of matters of business that may come before the committee. Not all items will come before the committee on an annual basis.

#### Regular Business

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- Review department budget and finance proposals

#### Rules

Rules are reviewed regularly by the Nebraska Department of Education staff. Rules submitted to the State Board of Education are generally introduced to the appropriate committee, with the committee making a recommendation to the Board.

Rules to come before this committee may include:

- Rule 1: School Audit Procedures
- Rule 2: Uniform System of Accounting
- Rule 8: School Finance & Budget/State Funding of ESUs and Learning Communities
- Rule 9: Proration of Affiliated School System Bond Funds
- Rule 44: Private Postsecondary School Tuition Recovery Cash Fund
- Rule 87: Qualified Zone Academy and School Construction Bonds Allocations

#### Additional Business

Additional business may come before this committee upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Education and at the direction of the President of the Board.

Additional Business to come before this committee may include:

- Review NDE Trust Fund budgets
- Review of audit results



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### STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Strategic Planning, Performance and Improvement Committee PROGRAM OF WORK

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The Strategic Planning, Performance and Improvement Committee may be directed to advise and make recommendations to the Board for possible action on the development of accountability plans, program or activity performance reviews, and general oversight of outcomes and goals set forth in the Board's strategic plan. From time to time, the Committee will review matters brought forth by the Commissioner of Education for performance review. This may include submissions of plans and the like from other entities including plans for school accreditation or improvement required by NDE Rule 10 and other plans that by law or regulation require State Board approval or review. The Committee also reviews and makes recommendations to the Board for actions on Community Achievement Plans which the Board is required by law to review and approve or reject. The Committee will annually review progress on the strategic planning goals and make recommendations for improvement to the plan.

#### Purpose of the Program of Work

The Program of Work for the Strategic Planning, Performance and Improvement Committee is to provide direction to the scope of work for the committee under the direction of the bylaws and the President of the State Board of Education. The items below do not constitute a complete list of matters of business that may come before the committee. Not all items will come before the committee on an annual basis.

#### Regular Business

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- Review quarterly and annual strategic plan progress reports
- Recommend AQuEST<sup>™</sup> school and district classification
- Recommend Priority School designations
- Review school accreditation
- Review of Community Achievement Plans

Rules

Rules are reviewed regularly by the Nebraska Department of Education staff. Rules submitted to the State Board of Education are generally introduced to the appropriate committee, with the committee making a recommendation to the Board.

Rules to come before this committee may include:

- Rule 6: Sharing of Student Data, Records and Information
- Rule 10: Accreditation of Schools
- Rule 83: State Committee for the Reorganization of School Districts
- Rule 84: Educational Service Units Accreditation
- Rule 85: Educational Service Unit Boundary Changes
- Rule 89: Education Innovation Fund Program-Distance Education Equipment Reimbursement and Incentives

Additional Business

Additional business may come before this committee upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Education and at the direction of the President of the Board.