**Communication with the Public**

1. Board of Education Meetings

Regular meetings of the Board of Education are held once each month. Provision is made at the beginning and the end of each meeting for citizen participation. The public is invited to share their views concerning general school policy or to raise questions with regard to school activities.

Written communication channeled through the Superintendent of Schools to the Board of Education, will be duplicated and distributed to each Board memberwith the Board packet of the next regular meeting.

1. Budget Meetings

The Board of Education will schedule special meetings in conjunction with the time schedule for budget submission to the Town.

At these special meetings, copies of the proposed budget will be available to all in attendance for review.

The administrative staff will review the proposed budget with the Board of Education and the Board will solicit input fromthe general public and willimple­ment recommendations at its discretion.

**Public Participation**

1. Educational Advisory Committees

The Board shall, when it deems advisable, appoint Educational Advisory Committees to assist the Board in research projects, long-range studies, develop­ment of policies or educational goals. To this end, the following policies shall apply:

1. The composition of anAdvisory Committee shalltake into consideration such factors as repre­sentativeness of the community background of members, relating to the specific tasks dele­gated to the committee.
2. Appointments to an Advisory Committee shall be made by the Board.

c. Each Advisory Committee shall be appointed to consider a specific task, and shall be charged with presenting a report on the area of its concern by a specified date. Upon submission of its report, the committee shall be discharged.

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d. The function of each Advisory Committee shall be solely to make studies and present recommendations. No committee shall be charged with the implementation, if any, of its report. Anyaction stemming from any report shall rest with the Board.

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