

Formulation and Adoption of Policies

The Board, representing the voters of the district, is the governing body, which determines all questions of general policy to be employed in the conduct of the public schools.

Proposals regarding school district policies and operations may originate from any of several sources: a parent, a taxpayer, a professional employee, a member of the Board, a clerk, the Superintendent, a professional consultant, a civic group, etc. Suggested policies and changes to policies shall be referred to the Policy Committee of the Portsmouth School Board.

Actions on such proposals, whatever their source, is taken finally by the Board, The Board shall take action on most matters upon the basis of recommendations presented to the Board by the Policy Committee.

Policy proposals and suggested amendments to or revisions to existing policies shall be submitted to the School Board in writing for first reading at a regularly scheduled Board meeting where they will be read and discussed. After passage of first reading, policies shall be scheduled for second reading at a subsequent Board meeting for any amendment to first reading and final adoption.

Action on policies shall be by majority vote of those present.