



TO: Board of Directors

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SUBJECT: Policy 1250 Students on Governing Boards

DATE: March 7, 2023

TYPE: School Board Discussion

At their February 21, 2023 regular meeting, revised policy 1250 Students on Governing Boards came before the board for a first reading as aligned with the Washington State School Directors' Association's most recent model policy. At this meeting, the board discussed modifying language in the policy regarding students advisors and advisory votes, as addressed in the last paragraph, and bringing policy 1250 before the board for another first reading and discussion.

Recommendation: That the board review and discuss modifications to revised policy 1250 Students on Governing Boards to bring it forth for a second reading.

## **STUDENTS ON GOVERNING BOARDS ~~ADVISORS TO THE BOARD~~ OF DIRECTORS**

~~It is the policy of the~~ The Stanwood-Camano School District **Board of Directors recognizes the value of student representation on the school board so that student voice and input is included in the board's work. The school district will annually seat two student representatives, one from Lincoln Hill High School and one from Stanwood High School. Student representatives will communicate with other district students and receive their input and perspectives.** ~~to have two high school student representatives, one from each high school, to serve as advisors to the Board of Directors. Student representatives on the board provide essential insight and support to board operations. The functions of the student advisors are to:~~

- ~~1. Represent the students of the district through communications with the Board of Directors.~~
- ~~2. Convey student opinion to the board regarding items under consideration.~~
- ~~3. Report to the Associated Student Body regarding board deliberations and actions.~~

~~The student advisors shall be full participants in all board discussions and shall be bound by all rules and regulations pertaining to regular board members. The student advisors will not have the right to make motions, vote or hold board office. The student advisors may attend executive sessions by invitation.~~

~~Two representatives will be appointed by the school board.~~

Student representatives on the board are expected to attend all board meetings and consider participating in optional conferences and trainings. The student members will contribute to board discussion by providing student insight and perspective, serve as a liaison for the associated student body, and report to students about the work of the board and district activities. Student representatives will not attend executive sessions or hold board offices. **The board may invite student representatives to contribute** an advisory vote as follows. Immediately before the board votes on an agenda item, the student board representatives will provide their advisory vote – whether pro, con, or abstain.

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