

Boundary Advisory Committee Guidelines

The Unified School District 497, Lawrence Public Schools Boundary Advisory Committee (BAC) is a board-established advisory committee as defined in Board Policy BBC - Board Committees.

Mission

The mission of the BAC is to monitor district population shifts and school boundaries and recommend changes to the Board of Education.

Purpose

Ensure that equity, district growth, budget and transportation are considered in boundary changes.

Membership

The members of the BAC shall be appointed by the Board of Education. The BAC shall include two BOE members, the Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations, the Director of Administrative Services, an LEA teacher representative, a City of Lawrence Planning representative, a First Student representative and four (4) community at-large representatives. With board approval, the committee may contract for professional services.

Qualifications

Members must be residents of the school district or employed by the school district.

Members must comply with board policies, procedures, guidelines and Kansas Education Statutes.

Terms of Office

The term of membership for each member shall be for a period of two years and each member shall be eligible for reappointment for an additional two-year term.

Removal from Committee

The Board of Education may remove any committee member who fails to attend two (2) consecutive scheduled committee meetings. Any vacancies created by removal or resignation shall be filled by the Board of Education and the person so appointed shall serve during the unexpired term of the member whose removal or resignation created the vacancy.

Compensation

Committee members shall serve without compensation.

Officers

Board of Education representatives shall serve as chair and vice-chair.

Duties of BAC

Duties include, but may not be limited to the following:

- Review enrollment data and trends
- Review building capacities

- Recommend boundary changes as a solution to community growth and population shifts, both short- and long-term

Meetings

Meetings will be scheduled once each semester and additional meetings may be scheduled as needed. Agenda items will be established in collaboration with the Boundary Advisory Committee, the Board of Education and the Superintendent. Minutes of the meetings will be created, filed and distributed accordingly.