

## **Governmental Affairs & Public Policy**

### **Purpose**

The Governmental Affairs and Public Policy Committee shall be responsible for reviewing and remaining informed of public and educational policy that impact the University. The committee shall be kept abreast of local, state and federal issues that may affect the University. The committee shall also serve as the governing board for the University's PK-12 schools and school partnerships.

### **Authority and Responsibilities**

- Be provided updates on state/federal education policy and initiatives.
- Receive legislative updates that may impact the institution.
- Be informed of the status of state appropriations and its impact on the institution.
- Build positive relationships between state, local, and federal governmental entities.
- Identify local, state, and federal activities that may affect the University.
- Review and recommend policies relating to local, state, and federal legislation.
- Approve or delegate approval of necessary PK-12 policies.
- Approve or delegate approval of significant PK-12 budget, finance, and capital improvement needs.
- Approve or delegate approval of school calendars.
- Approve or delegate approval of new schools and school partnerships in the ISD.

### **Membership**

A minimum of four trustees will serve on the Governmental Affairs and Public Policy committee. The chair of the committee will be appointed by the Executive Committee. The chief government affairs officer and Director of Schools will serve as ex officio members of the committee. The Director of Schools and the chair of the committee shall serve as University Schools Board Executive Committee.

### **Meetings**

The Governmental Affairs and Public Policy committee shall meet twice a year or at any other time upon the call of the committee chair. A majority of the members of the Governmental Affairs and Public Policy committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.