Participation by the Public

Residents of the community who are especially qualified because of training, experience, or personal characteristics shall be encouraged to take an active part in school affairs. Such persons may be invited to provide advice individually and in groups as follows:

- 1. In clarifying the general ideas and attitudes held by residents regarding the office of the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools ("Superintendent".)
- 2. In developing board policies under which the Yolo County Office of Education ("YCOE") is to be managed.
- 3. In establishing administrative arrangements and regulations designed to implement the policies.
- 4. In determining educational goals, the purposes of courses of study and special instructional programs and services to be provided for students and local school districts.
- 5. In evaluating the extent to which these purposes are being achieved by present practices.
- 6. In giving active assistance to the certificated staff in the actual operation of classes and services where the staff deems such aid valuable.
- 7. In solving a specific problem or set of closely related problems about which the Yolo County Board of Education ("County Board") must make a decision.
- 8. In the operation of school-related agencies.

The County Board and YCOE staff shall give substantial weight to the advice which they receive from individuals and community groups interested in the schools, especially those individuals and groups which they have invited or created to advise them regarding selected problems, but the County Board, Superintendent, and YCOE staff shall use their best judgment in arriving at decisions. The Superintendent or County Board shall be clear when soliciting advice from the public about what information or assistance they desire and that the public's advice or assistance in that issue is not binding upon the Superintendent, County Board, or YCOE staff.

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