

HAMBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: COMMUNITY

TITLE: MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT
RELATIONS

ADOPTED: September 28, 2015

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<p>1. Purpose</p> <p>2. Authority PA Const. Art. III Sec. 14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">909. MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT RELATIONS</p> <p>It is the policy of the Board that school district officials and municipal officials maintain a close and harmonious association. Such liaison is requisite for dealing with school/community concerns and issues in a satisfactory manner while assuring prudent expenditure of tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board recognizes that its authority derives directly from the General Assembly, but it also is aware that the municipality and the school district must work together for the welfare of the residents.</p> <p>The Board, as an independent body, has no statutory relationship to other local governmental bodies. However, the Board shall cooperate with local governmental units and other appropriate organizations in matters that affect district responsibilities. These agencies shall include but not necessarily be limited to health agencies, police and fire departments, township supervisors, borough council, and the courts.</p> <p>In matters affecting the budgets of such agencies, the Board will neither seek special consideration nor assume costs that properly fall outside its jurisdiction, except as prescribed by law.</p> <p>In all matters that relate to the cooperative relationship between the Board and the various agencies, the Board shall determine the extent of the cooperation, and the administrative staff shall be responsible to carry it out. Complete autonomy shall be maintained by the Board at all times.</p> <p>The Board shall elect members to serve on the Berks County Intermediate Unit Board #14, Berks Career & Technology Center Joint Operating Committee, the Berks County Earned Income Tax Bureau, and other agencies requiring the participation of Board members. When requested, the above members will be expected to report activities which relate to the activities of the Board.</p>
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<p>SC 502, 521, 706, 775, 790</p> <p>3. Delegation of Responsibility SC 1302.1-A, 1303-A Title 22 Sec. 10.11 Pol. 805.1</p>	<p>The Board advocates joint expenditures of district and municipal or county funds to provide facilities from which the entire community may derive benefits. In accordance with this policy, the Board may, as either opportunity or need arises, and as it is entitled to do by law, enter into joint action agreements with the local municipal governing body in acquiring or leasing, improving, equipping, operating or maintaining such jointly used facilities.</p> <p>The Superintendent and each local police department that has jurisdiction over school property shall enter into, and update on a biennial basis, a memorandum of understanding which shall be developed and executed in accordance with state law and regulations.</p> <p>To maintain cooperation with the municipality for fiscal and facilities planning, the Superintendent or designee will meet periodically with municipal officials to discuss issues of common interest.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>Pennsylvania Constitution – PA Const. Art. III Sec. 14</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 502, 521, 706, 775, 790, 1302.1-A, 1303-A</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 10.11, 10.24</p> <p>Disaster Prevention – 35 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 7701</p> <p>Board Policy – 613, 805, 805.1</p>
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