

## **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN DECISIONMAKING**

The School board recognizes that the public has vast resources of training and experience useful to schools. The strength of the local school district is in large measure advisory purposes and to the degree that these resources are involved in supporting the improvement of the local educational program.

The Board shall encourage the involvement of citizens both as individuals and as groups to act as advisers and resource people in ways such as the following:

1. In the development of philosophy statements for the guidance of the professional staff in each school.
2. In the identification of, and the development of, the objectives of the course study.
3. In the assessment of, and the evaluation of, the educational program.
4. In recommending methods of enhancing classroom instruction through the use of laypersons whose specific talents might complement the instructional process.
5. In solving specific problems.
6. In serving as advisory people to curriculum development projects.

The advice of the public will be given careful consideration. In the evaluation of such contributions, the first concern will be for the educational program as it affects the pupils. The final decision may depart from this advice when in the judgment of the staff and the Board such advice is not consistent with goals adopted by the Board, current educational practice, or within the reach of the financial resources available.