

IPA Policy Manual

Chapter 2 – Board of Directors Governance

2.4 Legislation, Platform Statement and Alliance PAC

1. The Illinois Principals Association shall actively advocate for legislation and policy that advances the goals and objectives of the Association. Legislative initiatives and changes to the IPA Platform statement shall be proposed and approved as follows:
 - a. Any member of the Illinois Principals Association or any IPA Region may submit to the Legislative Committee a legislative proposal or a proposed change to the IPA Platform Statement for consideration. All proposals shall contain a rationale for the proposal along with any suggested language and must be submitted to the Illinois Principals Association by September 1st.
 - b. At its annual meeting in October, the Legislative Committee shall consider all legislative and Platform Statement proposals that are submitted in a timely fashion and shall make a recommendation to the IPA Board of Directors. Recommendations may include specific modifications of the proposal. Recommendations of the Legislative Committee shall be made as follows: “approve,” “approve as amended,” “reject,” or “hold for further consideration.”
 - c. At each January meeting, The Board of Directors shall consider all recommendations of the Legislative Committee and may take action on such recommendations.
2. No member of the Illinois Principals Association shall represent himself or herself as advancing an initiative of the Association unless such initiative is approved in accordance with this policy.
3. The Executive Director shall direct staff in the analysis and development of positions on all other legislation and potential legislation. When possible, the Legislative Committee shall serve as an advisory body in the analysis and development of positions on legislation or potential legislation. The Executive Director shall seek the guidance of the Board of Directors when the Executive Director determines that such guidance is necessary.
4. The trustee of the Alliance Political Action Committee shall regularly report to the Board of Directors on all activities of the PAC.

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