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COMMUNITY RELATIONS

SUBJECT: PARENT AND OTHER SCHOOL-SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS

Parent Organizations

The Board of Education recognizes the rights and responsibilities of parents to participate in the education of their children, and recognizes that community support through direct participation with staff reinforces school goals and activity. Participation by the community is a major source of the strength of public education in the Massena School District.

Parent-school organizations which exist in the Massena School District shall function in the following general areas of responsibility:

- a) Act in an advisory capacity to the building principal, upon his/her request, on general matters of concern to the school;
- b) Arrange and conduct educational programs for the benefit of members of the community;
- c) Bring into closer relation the home and the school, so that parents and teachers may cooperate intelligently in the education of the child and
- d) Develop between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for every child the highest advantages in physical, mental, social and spiritual education.

Booster Clubs and Other Support Organizations

Booster clubs or other related organizations may be created to promote community support and to raise funds for specific school activities or programs. These groups must receive official Board approval and may not discriminate on the basis race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability or other legally protected category.

Rules and Regulations Governing Activities

The Board directs the Superintendent or his/her designee to establish rules and regulations governing the activities of booster clubs and other related organizations. The Board further requires that:

- a) Financial records be maintained and made available, upon request, for Board and/or public inspection;
- b) Fund raising activities be approved in advance by the Superintendent; and/or the Building Principal;
- c) Groups wishing to make a contribution adhere to the District's policy and regulations regarding the acceptance of gifts.

Violations to District policy or regulations may result in the dissolution of the club or organization.

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