

SCHOOL COMMITTEE LEGAL STATUS

The School Committee is the governing board of the Acton-Boxborough Regional School District. Although the Committee functions as a duly elected committee of local government(s), Massachusetts General Laws state that each public school system will be governed by a school committee.

The School Committee possesses all powers and duties conferred upon it by state law. The Committee alone may determine policies, approve a budget, and employ a Superintendent to implement their directions for the education of the children of the Acton-Boxborough Regional School District.

Members of the School Committee shall have no authority over school affairs as individuals. They shall have authority, within the General Laws, over school affairs when they serve as a legal body.

Regional school districts are created in accordance with state law and the Regional Agreement approved by the member towns. The Acton-Boxborough Regional School Committee consists of eleven members, seven from the Town of Acton and four from the Town of Boxborough. At the annual town elections, the Town of Acton shall elect two or three members to the Committee, and the Town of Boxborough shall elect one or two members to the Committee, each to serve three-year terms.

LEGAL REFS.:	M.G.L. 41:1, and 71:37 specifically, but powers and duties of School Committees are established throughout the General Laws of Massachusetts Relating to School Committees
	M.G.L. 71:14B, 71:16A
CROSS REFS.:	AA, School District Legal Status
	AA-E Regional Agreement between the towns of Acton & Boxborough, MA
	BBA, School Committee Powers and Duties

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