

Kenai Peninsula Borough School District

Committee Charge for Charter School Oversight Committee

Name:	Charter School Oversight Committee
Department:	Board of Education
Focus Area:	Charter Schools
Membership:	School Board Members with District Facilitator and School Administrators
Type:	Standing
Meeting Dates:	As needed preceding school board meetings.
Duration:	Ongoing Annually

Charter schools in Alaska are unique public schools. According to Alaska State Statutes, the local board of education serves as the authorizing agent for a charter school. Subsequently, charter schools answer directly to the local Board with limited oversight from district administration.

In response to increased administrative responsibilities placed on the Board by taking an active role in the management of charter schools, the Board created a Charter School Oversight Committee to:

- Establish a yearly meeting schedule with agendas to meet the requirements of the charter school timeline and responsibility matrix.
- Conduct an annual review of charter school performance.
- Cooperate with the district and charter schools to establish a positive learning environment in shared facilities.
- Schedule a public hearing with the school board on proposed charter school applications.
- Place charter school proposals on the regular school board agenda.
- Provide a recommendation for the school board whether to approve or deny a charter school application.
- Submit and make recommendations to the board regarding contracts.
- Investigate allegations of noncompliance with charter school contracts and make recommendations to the school board.
- Make recommendations to the school board on charter school use of district facilities.