

Charter Member Education and Engagement Committee

Type

Mandated standing committee per Co-op bylaws 6.05.

Accountability

The Committee serves at the request and under the direction of the Co-op Board. The Committee has no independent authority to direct the General Manager or any Co-op staff, to commit any of the Co-op's resources, or to take any formal action without approval by the Board.

Purpose

This committee is responsible for member education. The Committee's purpose is to support the Board's strategic plan by proposing for Board approval and Committee implementation:

- 1. A plan to educate members on the value of membership and cooperatives
- 2. A plan for member dialog using a variety of venues
- 3. An annual plan for member engagement including planning the annual member meeting (meeting required per bylaws section 5.01) that shall include introduction of candidates for the Board Election and other topics

At the Board Chair's request, the Committee chair(s) will provide a brief written or verbal report to the Board.

Committee Composition

The Committee will consist of chair(s) who will be sitting Board Directors, a second Board Director (if not the co-chair), and up to four (4) other Co-op members and/or directors. Committee members are selected through an interview process with the Committee chair(s) and Board approval.

Budget

Included in the budget established for the Co-op board.

Removal

Non-Board Directors serving on a Board committee shall conform to the standards of conduct applicable to Board Directors set forth in California Cooperative Law and the Cooperative's governance policies, even though such persons are not Board Directors. Should any non-director committee member fail to conform to these requirements they may be removed from the committee by the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors following a 15 day notice to the committee member of the proposed removal, including an

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opportunity to be heard by the Executive Committee at least 5 days before the proposed removal becomes effective.