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The Board of Education believes that the school facilities of this District should be made available for community purposes, provided that such use does not infringe on the original and necessary purpose of the property or interfere with the educational program of the schools and is harmonious with the purposes of this District.

The Board will permit the use of school facilities when such permission has been requested in writing by a responsible organization or a group of at least seven (7) citizens and has been approved by the Superintendent.

District facilities shall be available for the below-listed uses. When there are competing interests for the use of facilities, approval will be given according to the following priorities:

- A. uses directly related to the schools and the operations of the schools
- B. uses for voter registration and elections
- C. meetings of employee associations
- D. uses and groups indirectly related to the schools
- E. departments or agencies of the municipal government
- F. other governmental agencies
- G. community organizations formed for charitable, civic, social, or educational purposes
- H. commercial or profit-making organizations or individuals offering services for profit

The Superintendent shall develop administrative guidelines for the granting of permission to use District facilities including a schedule of fees. Such guidelines are to include the following:

- A. Each user may be required to present evidence of the purchase of organizational liability insurance to the limit prescribed by District administrative guidelines.
- B. Use of school equipment in conjunction with the use of school facilities must be requested specifically in writing, and may be granted by the procedure by which permission to use facilities is granted. The users of school equipment must accept liability for any damage or loss to such equipment that occurs while it is in their use. Where rules so specify, no item of equipment may be used except by a qualified operator.
- C. Users shall be liable financially for damage to the facilities and for proper chaperonage.

No liability shall attach to this District, any employee, officer, or member of this District specifically as a consequence of permitting access to these facilities.

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