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Governing Board Structure and Responsibilities:

Due to the fact that the Mid-America Regional Council’s Board of Directors are selected to their positions by public election or political appointment, Mid-America Head Start’s Governing Board is exempt from the standard composition of a Governing Board (SEC 642, 42 U.S.C. 9837 (1)(B)(v)).

The MAHS Governing Board voted the establishment of a Head Start Advisory Committee to oversee responsibilities related to Head Start program governance.

The Governing Board maintains legal and fiscal responsibility for Mid-American Head Start.

Advisory Committee Structure and Responsibilities:

Composition:

- 1.) 1 member of the Governing Board
- 2.) 1 elected parent member
- 3.) Chair of the Policy Council
- 4.) 1 licensed attorney
- 5.) 1 early learning educator
- 6.) 1 person with fiscal background
- 7.) 1 early childhood research specialist
- 8.) Several community representatives

Role:

- 1.) Responsible for the compliance with the duties outlined in Program Governance Compliance Framework #3 (642)(d)(3)
- 2.) Recommend to the Governing Body the approval of financial management, accounting and reporting policies
- 3.) Ensure compliance with laws and regulations related to financial statements
- 4.) Report to Governing Body monthly