## SECTION: PROGRAMS

## TURKEYFOOT <br> VALLEY AREA <br> SCHOOL DISTRICT

FORMERLY 1400

### 115.2 JOINT OPERATING COMMITTEE - DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

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1. The Somerset County Technology Center shall be operated by a Vocational-Technical School Committee composed of nine (9) members, each of whom shall be a member of the Board of School Directors of a participating School District. Each participating School District shall select its member or members of the Joint Operating Committee in accordance with the following formula:

1a. Representation shall be assigned on the ratio of each District's current average daily membership in grades 10,11 , and 12 to the total average daily membership in grades 10,11 , and 12 of all participating school districts, provided always that each participating school district shall have at least one (1) member thereon. Each participating School District may designate an alternate Committee member or members to represent the District in the Committee in the absence of the regular member.
2. Each year, during the month of December, the Committee shall choose from its members a chairman and vice-chairman, each to serve for one (1) year. It shall also elect a secretary to serve for a term of four (4) years. The Committee shall elect a treasurer from the treasurers of participating School Boards for a period of one (1) year for a term to coincide with the fiscal year of the Committee, beginning the first day of July each year.

2a. The Committee shall also elect a Solicitor for a period of one (1) year beginning the first day of July every year.

2 b . a depository of the funds for the operation of the school shall be designated for each fiscal year by the Committee.
3. The Committee shall meet monthly at such time and place as may be agreed upon. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the members of the Committee. The Committee shall act on all matters as provided by law. Any member of the Committee who shall be absent without valid excuse for two consecutive meetings may be replaced or reelected by the Board he represents.
4. The Committee shall be extended all rights, privileges, and authority to direct the Vocational-Technical School as directed by the Board within the limits of the budget adopted by the Board, and subject to the provisions of this agreement.
5. Budget approval may be by convention or mail ballot, provided that approval of each budget shall require an affirmative vote of twothirds of the participating School Districts and a majority vote of all the School Directors of all participating School Districts.
6. The Committee shall appoint the following Administrators for the School:

6a. A Chief School Administrator or County Superintendent (now called Director of Intermediate Unit) as provided by Section 1850.1 of the Pennsylvania School Code of 1949, as amended. 6 b. A properly certifiable Director of Vocational Education to organize and supervise the program of the school 6 c . Additional staff as deemed necessary.
7. A professional advisory council shall be composed of the Chief School Administrator of each participating School District or his designated representative, and the Director of Vocational-Technical Education.
8. The Committee shall appoint a general advisory committee, composed of representatives of local trades, industries, business, research, and educational agencies. The advisory committee shall advise the Committee on such matters as the need for a particular shop, laboratory, occupation, equipment, curriculum, labormanagement coordination, business, and industrial requirements or selection of personnel.
9. Craft advisory committees shall be established by the Committee to advise on specific matters pertaining to a particular occupation or related group of occupations being taught.
10. On obtaining the consent of the Committee, and with or without the consent of the Board of School Directors of the District in which the pupil resides, any pupil residing in a non-participating District may attend the Somerset County Technology Center or Technical Institute. The School District in which the pupil resides shall be charged, for each pupil attending the Area Vocational-Technical School or Technical Institute, an amount equal to the total approved budget for current expenses, debt service, and capital outlay divided by the number of pupils enrolled in the School.

10a. Attendance by out-of-state pupils shall be determined on the bases of pre-payment of the tuition based on either the previous


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