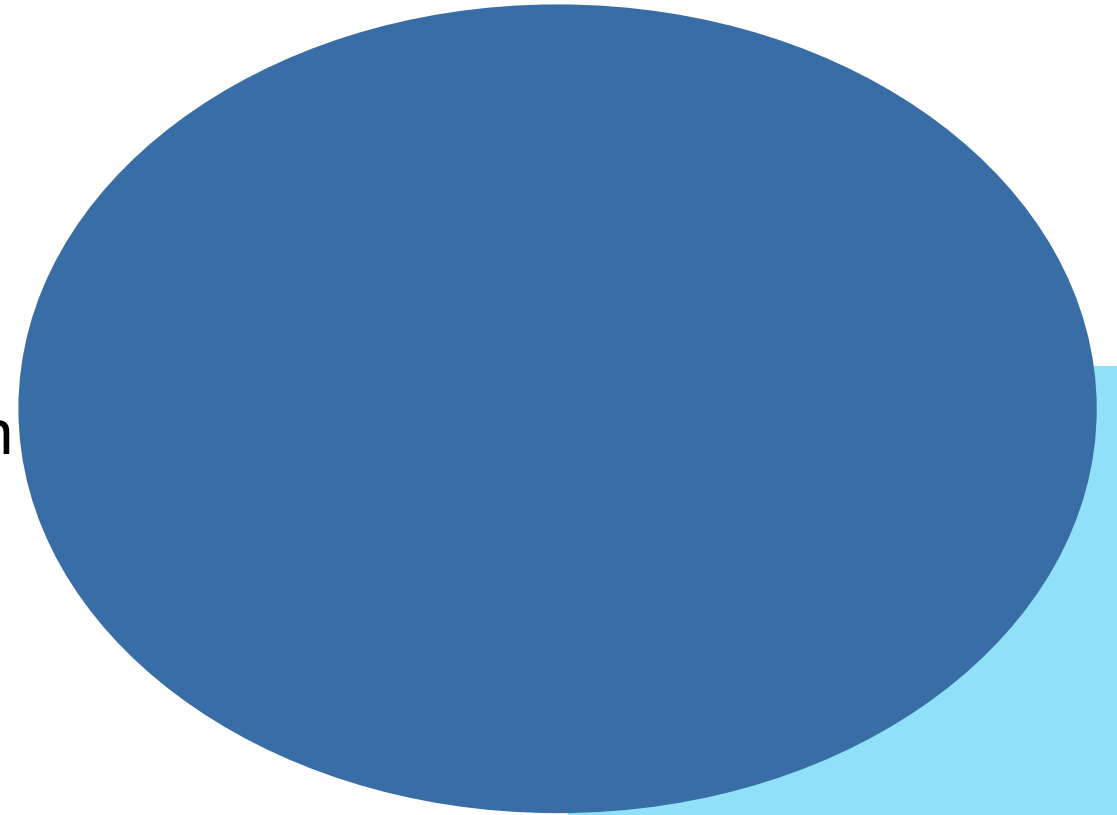


History of Head Start Advisory Committee



- Advisory Committee was established based on a Policy Clarification by the Office of Head Start in September 2008.
- In March of 2012, the MARC Board unanimously approved the implementation of the Advisory Committee.



Statement of Purpose



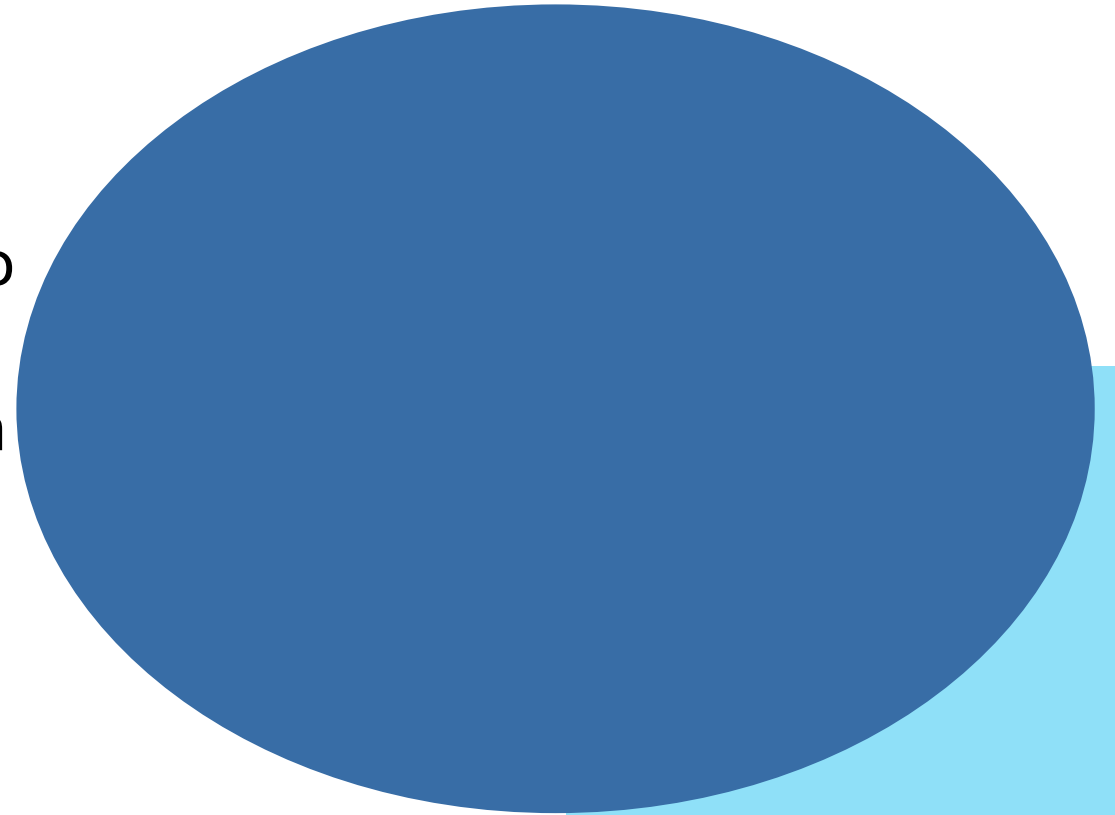
The Advisory Committee shall serve as an independent group of informed community advisors of the MARC Head Start program. Committee members oversee program governance and program improvement including the review and approval of the program's major policies, financial audits, fiscal operations, grant applications, and the results of monitoring and follow-up activities on behalf of the MARC Board of Directors (Board).



Organization



- Meetings occur 10 times per year.
- A quorum will be established at the beginning of each meeting.
- Agendas and materials will be provided to the Committee prior to each meeting.
- Meeting minutes will be approved at each meeting.
- Monthly reports will be submitted to the MARC Board on Committee action items for approval.



Responsibilities



- Attend required training and technical assistance meetings to provide effective oversight, provide appropriate decisions, and participate in programming.
- Review and approve all program policies including self-assessment, personnel, financial audits, fiscal operations, grant applications, the results of monitoring and follow up activities.
- Make recommendations based on information or reports about program planning and program operations.



Responsibilities



- The Committee will follow Mid-America Regional Council's Whistle Blower Policy and process for reporting problems and monitor such reports.
- The Committee shall also carry out and such duties that may be delegated by the MARC Board of Directors to the extent law will permit.
- The Committee will review its performance annually.

