
The Mission and Members of the Committees of the Commission are:

1. **Schools Committee: Mission**

The Mission of the Schools Committee of the Illinois State Charter School Commission is to lead, supervise and insure quality in all aspects of the authorization and monitoring of Commission schools, including: (1) pre-opening and opening procedures and implementation activities for new schools; (2) annual reporting and rigorous renewal analyses for existing schools; and (3) interfacing with the State Board of Education and the United States Department of Education regarding certification and other school compliance procedures.

Chair: Jaime Guzman
Members: William Farmer  
         Dr. Kathryn Robbins  
         Dr. Rudolph Valdez
Ex Officio: Greg Richmond

2. **Operations Committee: Mission**

The Mission of the Operations Committee of the Illinois State Charter School Commission is to lead, supervise and insure quality in all aspects of the Commission’s administrative functions, including (1) setting and managing to an annual budget, with a realistically aggressive revenue targets, and expenses aligned to the Commission’s programmatic mission; (2) adopting fair hiring and personnel management policies and practices, including annual performance reviews, and applying the same; and (3) establishing and monitoring annually all by-laws, policies and practices of the Commission to assure both its legal compliance with applicable mandates and the most efficient use of its limited resources.

Chair: Dr. Michael Jacoby
Members: Dr. Kathryn Robbins  
         Angela Rudolph  
         Dr. Rudolph Valdez
Ex Officio: Greg Richmond

3. **External Affairs Committee: Mission**

The Mission of the External Affairs Committee is to lead, supervise and insure quality in all aspects of the Commission’s engagement with the public, other governmental bodies and leaders and the press, including: (1) the development of a pro-active communications strategy, including specific outreach activities and products to communicate the mission of the Commission to the audiences noted above; (2) the management of the Commission’s legislative agenda, both pro-actively on behalf of legislation initiated by the Commission and in response to other legislative proposals; and (3) the creation of an effective website and management strategy related to press releases and similar public documents.

Chair: DeRonda Williams
Members: Angela Rudolph  
         The Honorable Milton Wharton  
         Jaime Guzman
Ex Officio: Greg Richmond