

There are 5 working committees:

• **Advocacy/Outreach Committee** —

Influence public policy; provide education and community information materials. e.g. Legislative Breakfasts; promote *Lights On AfterSchool* events to communities and send action alerts to partners, members, and families they serve; coordinate media.

• **Quality Committee** —

1) To advance comprehensive statewide quality standards for after-school and youth development programs, e.g. promote participation in Delaware Stars, a Quality Rating and Improvement System; encourage promising practices related to working with families and curriculum; support self-evaluation; and disseminate accreditation information.

2) Create a professional development system that represents the diverse perspectives of the after-school field, e.g. advise members of opportunities; encourage quality training; provide or identify community technical support; and provide regional networking opportunities.

• **Sustainability Committee** —

Develop and maintain sound fiscal management; and cultivate long-term financial resources (foundation, corporation, legislative, special events) in support of the network and programs, e.g. operations, transportation, and staffing.

• **Policy Development Committee** —

Develop a “Blue Print” that will define what it means to be considered a quality Afterschool Program and how it will connect to Community, Family, and School as a follow-on to Early Childhood Education and a pre-cursor to Workforce Development.

- **Management Committee** —

Well provide over-site to Steering Committee and be responsible for ensuring the integrity of the Alliance regarding the requirements set forth by the C.S. Mott Foundation and the National Afterschool Alliance organization.