## **Bylaws of the Board**

## **Board Consultants**

The Thomaston Board of Education will, from time to time, engage the services of qualified professional consultants to provide insights and ideas for dealing with especially difficult problems and/or to provide special services that present staff is unable to provide. The kinds of assistance sought from consultants may include, but will not necessarily be limited to the following:

- 1. Conducting fact-finding studies, surveys, and research;
- 2. Providing counsel or services requiring special expertise;
- 3. Assisting the Board in developing policy and program recommendations.

Before engaging a consultant, the Board may require submission of a written proposal that can be incorporated into a contract or purchase order if it satisfies the wishes of the Board. Proposals will detail:

- 1. The specific objectives to be accomplished by the consultant;
- 2. The specific tasks to be performed;
- 3. The procedures to be used in carrying out the tasks;
- 4. The target dates for completion of tasks;
- 5. The method to be used to report results to the Board or to deliver any "product" (e.g., long-range plans, codified policy manual, etc.) to the Board; and
- 6. Costs.