

## Advisory Councils

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### I. General Policy Statement

Public School Law 115C-55 establishes the Board's authority to appoint advisory councils for any school or schools within a local administrative unit. The Board institutes this policy in the belief that local support and community involvement are necessary for the development of sound educational programs. Advisory Councils shall be subordinate to the Board and shall have no power except those bestowed by the Board. The authority to make decisions will continue to reside in the powers and duties of the Board as imposed by law.

### II. Regulations

#### A. School Advisory Councils

1. Individual school advisory councils shall be composed of a minimum of five (5) parents, one (1) teacher, and the school principal. High school advisory councils shall also include two (2) students. Other members may be appointed as deemed necessary.
  - a. Annually, the Board will appoint parents to school advisory councils at the September meeting.
  - b. The teacher representative(s) will be selected by the school staff.
  - c. At the high school level, the student body president and vice-president will serve as council members.
  - d. The principal shall serve as the council secretary.
2. Advisory council members will serve a one (1) year term. Members may be reappointed for a maximum of three consecutive terms at each school.
3. The advisory council will elect a chairperson at its first meeting. There shall be a minimum of four (4) meetings each year. The council secretary shall forward meeting minutes to the Superintendent.
4. The duties of each school advisory council are as follows:
  - a. To serve as a liaison between the Board and the community.

- b. To advise the principal regarding community interest and concerns.
- c. To assist the principal in interpreting school and community needs.
- d. To assist the principal and school staff with school improvement projects.
- e. To assume other duties that the Board may legally delegate to them.

B. Ad Hoc Advisory Councils

The Board may exercise its authority to appoint additional ad hoc advisory councils for any school or schools. Ad hoc councils may be used to address specific school or school system issues.