

BY-LAWS FOR LEHI JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

BY-LAW I – NAME

The name of this council shall be the Lehi Junior High School Community Council (SCC).

BY-LAW II – PURPOSE

The Lehi Junior High School Community Council shall:

- A. Fulfill duties defined by state code 53A-1a-108 (3), including and in addition to, but not limited to, the following:
 - a. Serve in an advisory capacity to the Lehi Junior High School Administration. It may make recommendations to the administration on issues of concern to the school. It shall not make decisions for the administration.
 - b. Serve as a communication channel between the administration and the community. The SCC provides input to the administration regarding community suggestions, concerns, etc., and provides information from the administration to the community. We encourage an effective working relationship and open communication with local community councils and community organizations.
 - c. Assist in appropriate research and evaluation projects.
 - d. Work to improve all school educational programs.

BY-LAW III – MEMBERSHIP

- A. Selection – Members which meet the qualifications outlined in 53A-1a-108 of the Utah State Code shall be elected to a two year term. Terms begin with the September SCC meeting. Members shall be selected through a nominating process and an election held within the first 30 days of each school year. Notification of available SCC parent/guardian member positions, election dates and the nominating procedure will be distributed to parents with summer registration/information packet and letter to feeder school incoming 7th graders.
 - a. Parent/Guardian members shall be elected by a majority of votes cast by parents or guardians of students attending the school.
 - b. School Employee members (except the principal) shall be elected by a majority of votes cast by employees at Lehi Junior High School. The principal shall serve as one of the school employee members with full voting privileges.
- B. Membership Rotation – Membership rotation shall occur such that 50% of the terms shall be up for election each year.
- C. Participation – It is expected that each member shall participate in the majority of the regularly scheduled monthly meetings unless otherwise excused.
- D. Orderly Replacement of Inactive Members – In the event that a member fails to attend, without formal excuse, a majority of the meetings during the year, he/she may be replaced. Should this occur, they will be notified of such by the Chair. The appointment of a replacement will be made by the Chair and approved by a majority vote of the SCC members.
- E. Resignation – Should a member need to resign from the SCC, he/she should notify the Chair regarding this. The appointment of a replacement will be made by the Chair and approved by a majority vote of the SCC members.
- F. An appointed replacement member shall serve the remainder of the term to which he/she was appointed and then the position will be up for election at the conclusion of the term previously established.

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- G. Number of Members – the SCC shall have a minimum of five Parent/Guardian members and three school employee members, or a larger membership, provided that the number of Parent/Guardian members shall be at least two or more members than the number of school employee members.
- a. The number of school employee members (including the school principal) shall be at least three and not greater than two less than the number of Parent/Guardian members.
 - i. Any modification from the prior year regarding the number of Lehi Junior High School employee members shall be determined by a majority vote of the current school employee SCC members, including the school principal, at least six weeks prior to the election date.
 - b. If after an election, a parent/guardian position remains unfilled, the other parent/guardian members may appoint a parent/guardian to fill the position upon majority vote of the current parent guardian members.
 - c. If after an election, a school employee position remains unfilled, the other school employee members may appoint a school employee to fill the position upon majority vote of the current school employee members.
 - d. If upon closing of the nomination period for either parent/guardian members or for school employee members, there are insufficient nominees to fill all available positions, the Chair (for parent/guardian member positions) or Principal (for school employee members), may declare all nominees accepted as SCC members for the given positions nominated, dispense with the election proceedings, and proceed with appointment process described above to fill any yet unfilled positions.

BY-LAW IV – OFFICERS

- A. Officers – The officers of the SCC shall be a Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary.
- a. Chair shall be a Parent/Guardian member of the SCC
 - b. Vice-Chair and Secretary may be either Parent/Guardian members or school employee members of the SCC
- B. Terms – The officers shall be elected annually for a one-year term at the monthly meeting held in September of each year. Vacancies in any office may be filled for the balance of the term by majority action of the SCC. Officers shall serve through the summer months, conduct the September meeting and assist with the transition to new leadership at the September meeting.
- C. Duties –
- a. Chair of the SCC is to create agendas and conduct all meetings of the SCC.
 - b. Vice-Chair is to take the place of the President when he/she is absent in the conducting of all meetings.
 - c. Secretary shall take notes of meetings and provide minutes to the school for public distribution. In the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair, the Secretary shall serve as Chair pro temp.

BY-LAW V – MEETINGS

- A. The SCC is subject to the Utah Open Meeting requirements outlined in 53A-1a-108.1.

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- B. Election of Officers – There shall be an annual meeting of the SCC each year for the election of officers. This annual meeting will be held at the regularly scheduled September meeting each year.
- C. Quorum – A majority of the SCC, when present at any meeting, shall constitute a quorum with the stipulation that in order to constitute a quorum the members in attendance must have, at minimum, two more parent/guardian members than school employee members present to vote.
- D. Special Meetings – Special meetings of the SCC may be called at any time by the Chair of the SCC.
- E. Frequency – SCC meetings will generally be held at least quarterly during the months of September through May, unless otherwise determined by a majority of the SCC.
- F. Agenda – Agendas for all meetings will be posted on the school website approximately one week prior to a scheduled meeting.
- G. Agenda Items – Agenda items may be given to the Chair and should be received at least 10 days prior to the next meeting for consideration to be included on the agenda. Agenda items may be provided by SCC members or guests. Agenda items should not include personnel issues or individual student information.
- H. Minutes – Minutes of all SCC meetings will be kept and provided to the full membership and posted to the school website.
- I. Guests – Guests are invited to attend all meetings of the SCC. Guests may share appropriate input on subjects that fall under the SCC purview.
- J. Conduct – Meetings will follow parliamentary procedure with the goal of providing ethical behavior, civil discourse, respect for others and wise use of time.

BY-LAW VI – COMMITTEES

- A. Standing Committees – The SCC may establish standing committees from time to time by a majority vote of the SCC membership. Members of these committees shall be appointed by the SCC Chair. Each standing committee may elect their own committee chair, or a committee chair may be appointed by the SCC Chair.

BY-LAW VII – AMENDMENTS

- A. These bylaws may be amended, repealed, or altered, in whole or in part, by a majority vote of the SCC at any duly organized meeting of the SCC. All decisions must comply with current Utah State Code.

BY-LAW VIII – FUNDS

- A. The SCC will be provided such funds by the Lehi Junior High School as are necessary for the proper functioning of the SCC.

BY-LAW IX - LAWS

- A. The SCC is established and functions in accordance with 53A-1a-108; 53A-1a-108.1; 53A-1a-108.5; and 53A-16-101.5 of the Utah Code and as it may be amended from time to time by the Utah State Legislature. Current State Code is deemed to take precedence over these By-Laws.