

1                                   **SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEMBER**

2   **QUALIFICATIONS**

3   2012 GENERAL SESSION

4   STATE OF UTAH

5   **Chief Sponsor: Lee B. Perry**

6   Senate Sponsor: Aaron Osmond

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**LONG TITLE**

8 **General Description:**

9                   This bill modifies provisions relating to the membership of a school community  
10 council.  
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12 **Highlighted Provisions:**

13                   This bill:

14                   ▶ modifies the qualifications for a parent or guardian member of a school community  
15 council; ~~H~~→ [and]

15a                   ▶ requires the membership of a school community council to include two or more  
15b parent or guardian members than the number of school employee members; and ←H

16                   ▶ makes technical amendments.

17 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

18                   None

19 **Other Special Clauses:**

20                   None

21 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

22 AMENDS:

23                   **53A-1a-108**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2011, Chapters 45, 293, 342 and last  
24 amended by Coordination Clause, Laws of Utah 2011, Chapter 293

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

26                   Section 1. Section **53A-1a-108** is amended to read:  
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59 community council from discussing issues, or offering advice or recommendations, regarding  
 60 the school and its programs, school district programs, the curriculum, or the community  
 61 environment for students.

62 (4) (a) Each school community council shall consist of school employee members and  
 63 parent or guardian members in accordance with this section.

64 (b) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(c):

65 (i) each school community council for a high school shall have six parent or guardian  
 66 members and ~~five~~ **four** ~~school employee members, including the principal; and~~

67 (ii) each school community council for a school other than a high school shall have  
 68 four parent or guardian members and ~~three~~ **two** ~~school employee members, including the~~  
 68a principal.

69 (c) (i) A school community council may have a larger membership provided that the  
 70 ~~number of~~ **membership include two or more** ~~parent or guardian members~~  
 70a ~~exceeds~~ **than** ~~the~~ the number of school employee members.

71 (ii) A school community council ~~for a high school~~ may have a smaller  
 71a membership provided that:

72 (A) the ~~number of~~ **membership include two or more** ~~parent or guardian~~  
 72a members ~~exceeds~~ **than the** ~~the~~ the number of school employee  
 73 members; and

74 (B) there are at least two school employee members on the school community council.

74a ~~Of the parent and guardian members on a school community council, no more than~~  
 74b ~~one parent and guardian member may be an educator employed by the school district in which~~  
 74c ~~the school is located.~~

75 (5) (a) Each school employee member, except the principal, shall be elected by secret  
 76 ballot by a majority vote of the school employees and serve a two-year term. The principal  
 77 shall serve as an ex officio member with full voting privileges.

78 (b) (i) Each parent or guardian member shall be elected by secret ballot at an election  
 79 held at the school by a majority vote of those voting at the election and serve a two-year term.

80 (ii) Only parents or guardians of students attending the school may vote at the election  
 81 under Subsection (5)(b)(i).

82 (iii) Any parent or guardian of a student who meets the qualifications of this section  
 83 may file or declare himself as a candidate for election to a school community council.

84 (iv) An election for the parent or guardian members of a school community council  
 85 shall:

86 (A) extend for a period of at least three consecutive school days; and

87 (B) commence no later than 30 days after the first day of the school year.

88 (c) (i) The principal of the school, or the principal's designee, shall provide notice of