

Hale`iwa Elementary School

School Community Council

BY LAWS

MISSION STATEMENT:

Our mission is to develop students who embody the ESSENCE of Hale`iwa... live life to the fullest with honor, respect, kindness and love to make the world a better place.

PREAMBLE:

ACT 51, Session Laws of Hawaii 2004, known as the "Reinventing Education Act of 2004" in part requires "strengthening community involvement through school community councils."

In accordance with Act 51, the Hale`iwa Elementary School Community Council was created to support school improvement and the academic achievement of students through increased community involvement in the school.

ARTICLE 1: NAME OF COUNCIL

The name of this Council is the Hale`iwa Elementary School Community Council, hereinafter referred to as the SCC.

ARTICLE II: OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the SCC shall be in accordance with State guidelines and be consistent with policies of the Board of Education.

- Section 1. To advise the school regarding the planning, budgeting, implementation and evaluation of the Academic and Financial plan.
- Section 2. To review and provide input to the Academic and Financial Plan. To ensure the School's academic and financial plan is consistent with the educational accountability system.
- Section 3. To study and review the school's multi-year plan in relation to the educational needs of the students.
- Section 4. To provide collaborative opportunities for input and consultation.
- Section 5. To take other actions as required by the Department of Education.
- Section 6. To participate in the selection and evaluation of the principal as designated by the Department of Education.

The principal is responsible for the development of the Academic and Financial Plan and presentation of the plan to the school community and SCC. The plan is reviewed by the SCC and the SCC will provide recommendations for revision or recommend the plans for approval by the Complex Area Superintendent.

The SCC shall carry out all of the duties and responsibilities assigned to it by the Hawaii Department of Education.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1: Membership shall be comprised of at least 6 members:

- Principal
- 1 teacher
- 1 non-certificated staff member
- 1 parent
- 1 community member
- 1 student

Whenever possible, each role group shall have 2 members. Members may volunteer to serve on the SCC. In the event there are no volunteers, people may be asked to serve on the SCC by people within their respective role group, except for the student group

Teacher representatives must be active bargaining Unit 5 members assigned to Hale`iwa Elementary School (HES). Classified representatives must be from an active bargaining unit and be employed by the school. Student members must be free of major disciplinary incidents and must be in good academic standing. Community representatives must live and/or work in the HES district or have a vested interest in the success of the students and school. (such as an alumni)

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS

Section 1. The Hale`iwa SCC will have one officer and that shall be a Chairperson. The Chairperson shall be chosen by the SCC members and agreed upon through consensus.

Section 2. The SCC Chairperson shall serve for one year and will be chosen by the SCC each year.

Section 3. The Chairperson is responsible for recording and posting the meeting minutes.

ARTICLE V: DUTIES OF MEMBERS

Section 1. The duties of members shall be to provide good stewardship of the school and to make decisions on identified student needs that increase student achievement. Members shall attend all council meetings or inform the chairperson if unable to attend.

ARTICLE VII: MEETINGS

- Section 1. Regular meetings of the SCC shall be held at least once a quarter as determined by the Principal with the agreement of all members to ensure that as many SCC members are able to attend as possible.
- Section 2. The Hale`iwa SCC will use consensus to make decisions as necessary. All role groups must be represented to have consensus. (exceptions will be made for the student role group)