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SCHOOL-COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The School-Community Improvement Council may be appointed by the Spearfish Board of Education and will function in an advisory capacity to the school board to address the following objectives:

- 1. Increase the involvement of parents, students, teachers, administrators and local business and civic leaders in the operation of the local schools;
- 2. Provide more responsibility and flexibility in the governments of schools at the state and local levels;
- 3. Encourage innovative and responsible management practices in light of social, economic and educational needs in the community.

If the Council is active, members will be appointed or re-appointed annually. The Council will include representatives from the community and civic organizations. The School-Community Improvement Council will schedule quarterly meetings and may schedule additional meetings if necessary. The Council will maintain 31 members at an approximate ratio of two to one community to school district. School district representatives on the School-Community Improvement Council may consist of: 1) three teachers representing elementary and secondary education, 2) one building principal, 3) the superintendent of schools, 4) two school board members, 5) district curriculum director, 6) four parents —one representative from West, East, middle school and high school, 7) four students, 8) 15 community members representing various constituent groups, 9) one classified employee.

The School-Community Improvement Council may provide input to the Board of Education as a part of its comprehensive long-range planning process. The School-Community Improvement Council may be asked by the Board of Education to study school related issues and report back to the board on their findings.

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