

DIVISION 9. - SALINE YOUTH COUNCIL

Sec. 2-301. - Established.

There is established a city youth council, whose mission is to serve as a conduit between the local government and its younger constituents. Voice will be given to teenagers to bring all issues, great and small, to the forefront. Conversely, the youth council will bring the government's voice to teenagers, showing all the opportunities to enrich the teenagers of the city. Bringing youth and the government together gives both more power to better the community.

(Ord. No. 649, § 1, 2-4-02)

Sec. 2-302. - Authority; duties.

The youth council is charged with the authority and responsibility of making recommendations to the city concerning the needs and concerns of youth and the community and the appropriate means by which public and private agencies in cooperation with volunteer efforts may address such needs and concerns. All programs and activities will be sent to the city council for approval.

(Ord. No. 649, § 1, 2-4-02)

Sec. 2-303. - Members; appointment.

The youth council shall consist of 13 members who shall be selected from the high school age students who reside in the Saline Area School District. Members shall be appointed by the mayor of the city subject to the approval by a majority vote of the members of the city council.

(Ord. No. 649, § 1, 2-4-02)

Sec. 2-304. - Terms of office.

Members of the youth council shall hold office for a one-year term and until their successors are appointed and qualified; however, members may serve for more than one term. Appointments shall be made to coincide with the academic calendar in order to facilitate greatest student involvement.

(Ord. No. 649, § 1, 2-4-02)

Sec. 2-305. - Organization; meetings.

- (a) The youth council shall conduct the election of a chairperson, vice chairperson, vice chairperson and secretary shall be one year with eligibility for reelection; however, a member shall not be eligible to serve more than two successive terms as chairperson. The chairperson shall preside at all meetings but shall have no other duties not in common with other members. The youth council may create and fill such other offices as it may deem necessary or expedient.
- (b) The youth council shall meet regularly as necessary to conduct business and shall keep a record of its resolutions, transactions, findings and determinations. Three unexcused absences in the course of a term shall subject a member to removal from office in the sole discretion of the mayor. The youth council may appoint high school students as associate members to serve on committees advising it on various matters. Associate members may participate in all discussions but shall not have a vote.

(Ord. No. 649, § 1, 2-4-02)