Request for Expedited and General State Waivers February 26, 2008

SUMMARY:

The purpose of this request is to obtain Board consent to submit waiver applications to TEA for additional staff development days and for early release days. It also provides for reimbursement for textbooks in photojournalism and astronomy courses, for which no state adopted textbooks are available. This waiver is valid through year 2009-2010.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

This is the first discussion of this request.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

A similar request was made in 2004 for staff development and early release days. The waiver was valid through school year 2006-2007 and was approved by the board.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES: None

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: None

BENEFIT OF ACTION: The district will be in compliance with T.E.A.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED: None

ALTERNATIVES: The Board may choose to deny the request.

OTHER COMMENTS:

Staff development days provide opportunity for teachers for preparation and education resulting in better instruction and a higher level of achievement for students.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS: Approval

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Roger Rutherford, Assistant Superintendent Russ Keith, Chairperson 2007-2008 EIC

ATTACHMENT:

T.E.A. Request for Expedited and General State Waiver

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: Romen D. Kutherhol

Comments: Signature of Divisional Leader: Comments: Signature of Superintendent: Comments: