# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEM Board of Trustees Meeting July 24, 2018

## Discussion of Low Attendance Days Waiver for 2017 - 2018

### **BOARD GOAL:**

Vision – In pursuit of excellence, the district will:

- Develop and maintain a culture where learning remains our first priority
- Develop a budget focused on student and professional learning

Climate – In pursuit of excellence, the district will:

• Encourage and nourish a safe learning and compassionate working environment which ensures open and transparent communication and is supportive, cooperative, and ethical

Parent and Community Involvement - In pursuit of excellence, the district will:

- Foster a positive and welcoming environment that encourages parent and community partnerships to achieve success for all our students
- Provide support services and promote health, wellness and safety for students and families
- Growth, Change & Fiscal Responsibility In pursuit of excellence, the district will:
  - Create and continuously modify strategies to mitigate increasing stresses on our children, our schools and our community
  - Provide leadership and/or oversight to ensure District meets all fiscal, legal, and regulatory requirements

#### **PURPOSE OF THE REPORT:**

The purpose of this workshop item is to discuss the impact of the flu in relation to attendance during this school year for several of our campuses. As allowed by TEA, "districts or campuses can request a waiver to excuse any instructional day(s) from ADA and FSP funding calculations that have attendance at least 10 percentage points below the last school year's average attendance due to inclement weather, health, or safety-related issues.

As indicated in the documents attached, Gonzalez for Young Children, Windle School for Young Children, Evers Park Elementary School, and Hodge Elementary each realized a 10% or more drop in their average daily attendance for 2017 - 2018 as compared to the 2016 - 2017 school year. The low attendance for each of these campuses is health related due to an increase in flu cases among our youngest students.

Current Year date	ADA Percentage	Prior Year Date	ADA Percentage	Waiver Reason	Campus
12/18/2017	78.30%	12/16/2016	92.96%	Flu	Hodge ES
12/19/2017	78.09%	12/16/2016	92.96%	Flu	Hodge ES
12/20/2017	75.40%	12/16/2016	92.96%	Flu	Hodge ES
12/20/2017	73.15%	12/16/2016	92.96%	Flu	Ann Windle
12/20/2017	71.14%	12/16/2016	92.96%	Flu	Gonzalez
2/2/2018	87.46%	2/2/2017	97.40%	Flu	Evers Park ES

A summary of the ADA percentage information is included below:

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

To provide the Board of Trustees a summary of our ADA percentage information and additional information needed in consideration of approving and submitting a Low Attendance Day Waiver for the dates and campuses referenced above.

#### **OPERATIONAL IMPACT:**

Approval of this action allows the District to submit a low attendance day waiver for the dates referenced in the summary of ADA percentages, to excuse these days from instructional days in calculating ADA and FSP funding.

#### **RESULTS:**

#### Advantages:

Consideration of the low attendance rate recognized on dates provided above in the summary of ADA percentages, may have a fiscal impact if the waiver is not submitted allowing the average daily attendance of these days to be calculated as an instruction day in ADA and FSP funding calculations.

## **Disadvantages:**

Without consent of approval to submit the low attendance day for the above referenced campuses, the average daily attendance for these days will be utilized in determining ADA and FSP funding calculations without consideration of the health-related low attendance days.

### **OTHER OPTIONS:**

None noted.

#### **ATTACHMENT:**

ADA/ADM Statistics Reports for Gonzalez SYC, Windle SYC, Evers Elementary, and Hodge Elementary