

TASB POLICY UPDATE 81 LOCAL POLICES
December 11, 2007

SUMMARY:

The Board will consider a second reading approval on TASB Policy Update 81 Local policies:

- BDAE(LOCAL): OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS - DUTIES AND REQUIREMENTS OF DEPOSITORY
- DC(LOCAL): EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES
- DGBA(LOCAL): PERSONNEL-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS - EMPLOYEE COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES
- FD(LOCAL): ADMISSIONS
- FEA(LOCAL): ATTENDANCE - COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE
- FEC(LOCAL): ATTENDANCE - ATTENDANCE FOR CREDIT
- FFH(LOCAL): STUDENT WELFARE - FREEDOM FROM HARASSMENT
- GKC(LOCAL): COMMUNITY RELATIONS - VISITORS TO THE SCHOOLS
- GKG(LOCAL): COMMUNITY RELATIONS - SCHOOL VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Local Policies Deleted in Update 81:

- GBAA(LOCAL): INFORMATION ACCESS - REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

The Board discussed these policies in workshop on October 9, 2007 and approved the first reading at the November 13, 2007 board meeting.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

TASB Update 81 is the first of two post-legislative updates and encompasses changes in the law from the 80th Legislative Session.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

The district must have school policies that are consistent with current laws and appropriately communicate local policy issues. Policies are classified as either "Legal" or "Local" in design. A "Legal" policy is a statement of existing law or of binding legal decisions and as such do not require Board approval. Local policies are decisions made at the local level that reflect district decisions and practices and do require approval. Legal policies are always included in updates so local policy development occurs within the context of binding law.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

To allow the Board to evaluate and ensure that these policies reflect the practices of the District.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

The Board will review the proposed change in workshop setting and then formally conduct two readings with the second requesting final approval.

ALTERNATIVES:

The following options are available to the Board:

- continue to study the policy
- modify the existing language
- approve policies as written and submitted by TASB

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

For the Board to approve on second reading the adoption of TASB Policy Update 81 Local policies as submitted

PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Ray Braswell, Superintendent
Randy Stout, DISD Legal Advisor

ATTACHMENT:

The proposed changes to Local policies are attached.

Signature of Superintendent: _____

Comments: _____