

**MEETING DATE:** February 16, 2015

**AGENDA ITEM:** REAL Essentials Sex Education Program Approval

**ALIGNS TO BOARD PRIORITY:** Learning - The District will provide an aligned, rigorous curriculum, with instructional and technology programs preparing students to meet or exceed all educational standards.

**Presenter: Scott Kessel** 

## **Background Information:**

- TEC, Section 28.004 states materials and instruction related to human sexuality shall be approved by the board of trustees on the advice of the local School Health Advisory Council
- Aledo ISD School Health Advisory Council approved a human sexuality curriculum called REAL Essentials on November 10, 2014
- The REAL Essentials curriculum is delivered by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party called Pure Truth, which is an in-school training program offered through Grace House Ministries
- HB 1972 from the 83<sup>rd</sup> legislative session now adds the requirement for schools to provide training on Human Trafficking awareness, something that is integrated into the REAL Essentials human sexuality curriculum
- Program was previously presented at December 15 Board of Trustees meeting and postponed until January meeting
- Program proposal was updated at January 19 Board of Trustees meeting with available times for review announced
- Curriculum materials were available for Trustees to review from February 3 6

Administrative Considerations: Approval of REAL Essentials Sex Education

Program as recommended by the SHAC committee

FISCAL NOTE: No cost

**Administrative Recommendation:** Administration recommends the approval of REAL Essentials Sex Education Program