



Resolution to Declare or Renew a Good Cause Exception for Texas Education Code section 37.0814

WHEREAS, Section 37.0814 of the Texas Education Code requires that the board of trustees of each school district shall determine the appropriate number of armed security officers for each district campus;

WHEREAS, Section 37.0814(a) of the Texas Education Code requires the board to ensure that at least one armed security officer is present during regular school hours at each district campus;

WHEREAS, Section 37.0814(b) of the Texas Education Code requires that at least one armed security officer at each campus be a commissioned peace officer, namely a school district peace officer; a school resource officer; a commissioned peace officer employed as security personnel under Section 37.081 of the Texas Education Code; a reserve deputy sheriff appointed under Section 85.004 of the Local Government Code; a reserve police officer appointed under Section 37.0816 of the Texas Education Code; or an honorably retired peace officer who meets the requirements of Section 37.0814(b)(6) of the Texas Education Code;

WHEREAS, Section 37.0814(c) of the Texas Education Code provides that if the board of trustees of a school district is unable to comply with this section, the board may claim a good cause exception if the district's noncompliance is due to the availability of funding or qualified personnel;

[WHEREAS, Section 37.0814(d-1) of the Texas Education Code requires the board of trustees of a school district that has previously claimed a good cause exception to reevaluate annually whether the board is able to ensure that at least one armed security officer is present during regular school hours at each district campus and, if not, renew the board's good cause exception;]

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Wylie School District hereby determines that the School District is unable to ensure that at least one armed security officer, as defined by law, is present during regular school hours at each district campus;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees determines that:

The District's noncompliance is due to lack of available funding. The State of Texas underfunded Wylie ISD for safety and security personnel under Section 37.0814(b); and

The District's noncompliance is due to lack of available qualified personnel. Wylie ISD and the surrounding districts have faced a shortage of security personnel under Section 37.0814(b).

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees, having renewed a good cause exception, will develop and document the alternative standard with which the district is able to comply, in accordance with Sections 37.0814(d) and (e) of the Texas Education Code.

Adopted this _____ (date) day of _____ (month), _____ (year), by the Board of Trustees.

Presiding officer's signature:

Secretary's signature:

