Regular Board Meeting

April 21, 2025

AGENDA SECTION: Consent Agenda

SUBJECT: Consider Approval of the Request to the Texas Education Agency for

a Low Attendance Waiver

BOARD POLICY: FEB (Legal and Local)

STRATEGIC GOAL(S): 5.1

FISCAL NOTE: None Required

PREPARED/PRESENTED BY: Tellauance Graham

## **Background Information**

- School districts can request a waiver to excuse instructional days from the ADA (average daily attendance) and FSP (Foundation School Program) funding calculations that have attendance at least 10 percentage points below the last school year's overall average attendance.
- On February 19, 2025, Duncanville ISD experienced a lower-than-average attendance rate due to the extreme Artic winter weather. The conditions were described as dangerously cold, with wind chill factors near zero, and included a wintry mix of ice and snow.
- Duncanville ISD's ADA on February 19, 2025, was 59.50%.
- The ADA for Duncanville ISD in the 2023-2024 school year was 91.82%.
- Due to Duncanville ISD's ADA on February 19, 2025, and exceeding the 10-percentage points difference from last year's ADA, we are requesting approval to submit a waiver to the Texas Education Agency to exclude Duncanville ISD's February 19, 2025, attendance from the attendance funding calculations in the 2024-2025 school year.

## **Recommendation**

It is recommended the school board approve the request to submit a waiver to the Texas Education Agency for Duncanville ISD's low attendance on February 19, 2025, due to the extreme Artic winter weather.

## **Communication Deployment**

District records

## **Suggested Motion**

I move that we approve the request to submit a waiver to the Texas Education Agency for Duncanville ISD's low attendance on February 19, 2025, due to the extreme Artic winter weather.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. T. Lamar Goree Superintendent