Approval of DISD Local Policies EIA, EIAB, EIC, FB, FFH on 2nd Reading November 9, 2011

SUMMARY:

The Board will consider a first reading approval on DISD Local Policy revisions

- EIA (Local) Academic Achievement Grading/Progress Reports To Parents
- EIC (Local) Academic Achievement: Class Ranking
- FB (Local) Equal Education Opportunity
- FFH (Local) Student Welfare: Freedom from Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation

Recommended Deletions:

EIAB (Local) Grading/Progress Reports to Parents: Makeup Work

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

The Board discussed the policy revisions as a workshop topic at the October 11, 2011 board meeting and had a first reading approval on October 25, 2011.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The adoption of these policies will provide the district oversight in Grading/Progress Reports to Parents, Makeup Work, and Class Ranking. Changes to other Local policies are official name changes in oversight for Equal Educational Opportunity, and Student Welfare.

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:

The Board approve on second reading the adoption of EIA (Local), EIC (Local), FB (Local), FFH (Local) and the deletion of EIAB (Local)

PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Ray Braswell, Superintendent Randy Stout, DISD Legal Advisor

ATTACHMENT:

The proposed changes to Local policies are attached.

Signature of Superintendent: