

Meeting Date: December 13, 2022 Meeting Type: Regular

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Item Name: CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE DISTRICTWIDE STUDENT IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL (DSIC) AS THE COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP A DISTRICT OF INNOVATION PLAN

**Item Summary:** House Bill 1842, passed in 2015 in the 84th Session of the Texas Legislature, in part amended Chapter 12A of the Texas Education Code (TEC) to create Districts of Innovation. The designation allows school districts to be exempt from certain sections of the TEC, providing more flexibility and control in locally meeting the needs of students and the communities served.

A district-level committee (DSIC) has signed a petition to initiate consideration of designation as a district of innovation as provided by TEC 12A.001(c)(2). Consequently, a public hearing has been scheduled before the regularly scheduled Board meeting on December 13, 2022, to consider whether the District should develop a local innovation plan for designation of the District as a district of innovation. At the conclusion of this hearing the administration will be requesting the Board to consider approval of the committee (DSIC) to develop a local innovation plan in accordance with TEC Section 12A.003.

After the Board approves the committee to develop the plan, the DSIC will work to finalize the plan and post it for 30 days. Next, the administration will request approval of the plan at the regularly scheduled Board meeting on February 21, 2023.

**Recommendation:** Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees consider approving the committee to develop a District of Innovation Plan.

Policy Reference: TEC 12A.002(b)(2); TEC 12A.003

Leadership Definition Alignment: Plan for Success

Strategic Plan Alignment: Focus on Talent

Currently Budgeted? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ No Budgetary Impact

**Completion or Implementation Timeline:** Plan will remain in effect for up to 5 years.