MEETING DATE: August 21, 2017

AGENDA ITEM: Approval of State Waivers

PRESENTER: Denise Dugger, Executive Director of Professional Development and

Accountability

ALIGNS TO BOARD GOAL(S): LEARNING: The District will provide an aligned, rigorous curriculum, with instructional and technology programs preparing students to meet or exceed all educational standards.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: TEA allows districts to apply to the commissioner for a waiver of a requirement or restriction imposed in the Texas Education Code 7.056. A waiver may be submitted for a period of three years.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATIONS: Aledo will submit the following waivers:

Timeline for Accelerated Instruction – As part of the Student Success Initiative districts are required to provide accelerated instruction to students in grades 5 and 8 who do not demonstrate proficiency on the STAAR reading or math tests. To assist districts in meeting the accelerated instruction provision after the third administration, the Agency allows districts to apply for a waiver to adjust the timeline for providing accelerated instruction to students who fail the 3rd administration.

Teacher Data Portal – The 81st Texas Legislature enacted legislation to provide access to student assessment data for parents, educators, and the general public. Districts that choose to provide teacher access to student assessment data through a local student data system must apply for an expedited waiver from TEA. AISD uses Eduphoria for this purpose.

FISCAL NOTE: None

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION: The Administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve the above referenced waivers to the TEA for 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-20 school years.