



BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

## KELLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**6A. Report**

**Date: August 14, 2006**

**SUBJECT: POLICY IMPLEMENTATION AND EFFECTIVENESS**

**BOARD GOAL: All systems in the Keller Independent School District will be effective, efficient, and accountable in support of the district's mission.**

**FISCAL NOTE: No Financial Impact**

### **Background Information:**

- *Education Code 11.151(b)* states that "The Board shall govern and oversee the management of the public schools of the District."
- A *policy* is a clear statement by the board requiring and/or authorizing action, used to guide and determine present and future decisions where as a *regulation* is a procedure or plan, often based on district policy, left to administrative discretion in design and implementation; the action steps to complement policy.
- The role of written policy includes: communicating goals, providing stability and continuity, establishing a legal basis for actions, clarifying board/superintendent authority, and saving time and effort.
- Curriculum audit recommendation A.1.4 calls for the administration to provide yearly reports to the Board on policy implementation and effectiveness.

### **Administrative Considerations:**

- The administration has undertaken several initiatives to update the policy manual and to improve the effective and efficient management of local policy. Some of the initiatives include:
  - Policy Review Seminar
  - An electronic calendar of policy review from 2006-2012
  - An electronic data base to track policy actions taken by the Board in order to create a historical policy file
  - Web based Keller ISD Administrative Regulations On-line
- A full report will be provided on these initiatives and input will be sought in regards to future Board action resulting from the Policy Review Seminar.

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Respectfully submitted,

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