Ector County Independent School District Odessa, Texas

Memorandum

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Hector Mendez, Interim Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY FNA(LOCAL) STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES: STUDENT EXPRESSIONS [BG-N/A]

DATE: August 21, 2007

Under separate cover you will receive proposed Board Policy FNA (Local) Student Rights and Responsibilities: Student Expressions that will be presented for approval.

The 80th Texas Legislature recently passed House Bill 3678, which requires school districts to take immediate action to adopt local policies on student expression before the start of the 2007-2008 school year.

Because the new law requires a local policy to be adopted so quickly we wish to implement the process for emergency adoption with one reading. Emergency adoption may occur in one meeting if special circumstances demand an immediate response. [See BF(Local)]

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve Board Policy FNA(Local) Student Rights and Responsibilities : Student Expressions as presented.

Respectfully submitted,

Hector Mendez, Interim Superintendent of Schools *Bruce Revell*, Deputy Superintendent for District Operations