

Cedar Hill Independent School District

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting Date: April 6, 2020

Presented by: Dr. Gerald Hudson, Superintendent of Schools

Subject: Resolution Approving the Emergency Delegation of Authority to Superintendent

Action Item

BOARD GOAL:

Provide a safe, efficient, healthy, and orderly environment.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The U.S. Government has declared a national emergency and the State of Texas has declared a statewide disaster regarding the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The Governor has issued an executive order to temporarily close all Texas School districts. While the Texas Education Code 7.056 permits a district to apply to the commissioner of education for a waiver of a requirement, restriction, or prohibition imposed by the Education Code, TEA recommends that if the Board delegates authority to the Superintendent to request waivers from the commissioner, the Board can then ratify the waiver request at a future meeting to ensure compliance with TEA code. Due to this pandemic there is a need for the District to maintain efficient, effective, and consistent District operations and may need to request available waivers under state and federal law.

RECOMMENDATION

Administration recommends that the Board consideration and take possible action regarding Delegation of Authority to the Superintendent to Pursue Necessary Waivers During Emergency Closure, pursuant to Texas Education Code Section 7.056.

BOARD ACTION REQUIRED:

Motion that the Board approve and adopt the resolution delegating the following authority to the Superintendent to be effective only during the period of emergency school closure as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak, as follows.” **(READ THE RESOLUTION)**

POLICY AUTHORIZATION:

Texas Education Code Section 7.056

CONTACT PERSON:

Violet Dean, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources

FUNDING SOURCE:

N/A

ENCLOSURES:

Attached