# Approval of DISD Local Policies FB, FFH on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading August 14, 2012

### **SUMMARY:**

The Board will consider a first reading approval on DISD Local Policy revisions

- FB (Local) Equal Education Opportunity
- FFH (Local) Student Welfare: Freedom from Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation

#### PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

The contents of these policies are not being changed only the name of the District's designated coordinator for Title XI and ADA/ Section 504 compliance.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The policies are being revised to change the name from Jamie Wilson as the District's designee for Title IX and ADA/Section 504 compliance to Robert Bostic, Asst. Superintendent for Academic Programs.

### **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:**

The district must have school policies that are consistent with current laws and appropriately communicate local policy issues. Policies are classified as either "Legal" or "Local" in design. A "Legal" policy is a statement of existing law or of binding legal decisions and as such do not require Board approval. Local policies are decisions made at the local level that reflect district decisions and practices and do require approval. Legal policies are always included in updates so local policy development occurs within the context of binding law.

### **BENEFIT OF ACTION:**

To allow the Board to evaluate and ensure that these policies reflect the practices of the District.

## PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

The Board will review the proposed change and then formally conduct two readings with the second requesting final approval.

## **ALTERNATIVES:**

The following options are available to the Board:

- continue to study the policy
- modify the existing language
- approve policies as written and submitted by TASB

### SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Board approve on first reading the adoption of FB (Local), FFH (Local)

## PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

James K Wilson, III, Superintendent Randy Stout, DISD Legal Advisor

#### **ATTACHMENT**:

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