

AGENDA ITEM #8 A

ACTION

BACKGROUND 19 TAC Chapter 61

Annually, at the last regular meeting of the calendar year, under HB 2563, the current president of each local board of trustees shall announce the name of each board member who has completed the required continuing education, who has exceeded the required hours of continuing education, and who is deficient in the required continuing education. The president shall cause the minutes of the local board to reflect the information, and shall make this information available to the local media.

STATUS

The rule prescribes three distinct types of board training the orientation to the Texas Education Code and the local orientation to the district (Tier One); the team building activity required of the entire board and the superintendent each year, which concludes with an assessment of continuing education needs based on the Framework for School Board Development (Tier Two); and the needs-based training identified in the needs assessment (Tier Three).

The Superintendent's report on Board member training hours for the period from March 1, 2008 – February 28, 2009 is attached.

RECOMMENDATION

The Superintendent recommends that Board members take advantage of various training opportunities available on-line through TASB or disc from ESC 9.