

Collin County Community College District Board of Trustees

Item 1. Organization, Education, and Policy Committee

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TITLE:

Organization, Education, and Policy Committee First Reading of Board Policies:

- CHF (Local) Carrying Concealed Handguns on Campus
- DH (Local) Employee Standards of Conduct
- FLB (Local) Student Conduct
- FLBF (Local) Student Conduct - Weapons
- GFA (Local) Conduct on College District Premises

PROPOSED CHANGES:

In the last legislative session, [Senate Bill 11](#) was passed that requires the state's public colleges and universities to allow handguns on campus for those with a license to carry (LTC). This law takes effect for community colleges on August 1, 2017. One of the requirements is that we add a college policy that describes the rules that Collin College will use in implementing this new requirement.

Over the last year, meetings were held at each campus to get input from students, faculty, staff, and faculty regarding specific safety considerations and any unique characteristics of our programs, campuses and student populations that might impact the drafting of Collin College's policy recommendation. In addition, a Faculty Council committee reviewed over 30 different university and college policies in Texas.

The new proposed policy, **CHF (Local)-Carrying Concealed Handguns on Campus**, is the culmination of that process.

In addition, Collin College already had four additional policies that referenced weapons on campus and that needed modification to be consistent with CHF (Local). These are also being presented for consideration by the Board.

Recommended areas for excluding handguns include:

1. Child care facilities.
2. Polling locations.
3. Facilities where professional, high school or college sporting events are in progress.
4. In the room or rooms where a meeting of a governmental entity is held, and if the meeting is an open meeting subject to chapter 551, Government Code, and notice as required by that chapter is provided.
5. High hazard laboratories and health science education facilities where the presence of high hazard materials or operations creates a significant risk of catastrophic harm due to a negligent discharge.
6. Locker rooms where individuals change clothes, including those at athletic facilities and health science education facilities.
7. Any location or facility of Collin College, as directed or approved by the President as necessary for campus safety, where effective notice on a temporary basis pursuant to Section 30.06, Texas Penal Code has been given by the required signage.

The college is required to submit a report every two years to the state legislature regarding the college's policy and the reasons the college has established its rules.

Revisions to **DH (Local) Employee Standards of Conduct** eliminate the exclusion of concealed handguns of licensed owners and includes the Penal Code 46.05 definition of weapons.

Revisions to **FLB (Local) Student Conduct** eliminate the exclusion of concealed handguns of licensed owners and refers back to CHF (Local).

Revisions to **FLBF(Local) Weapons** eliminates reference to firearm silencers, armor piercing ammunition, and the reference to objects such as school supplies used as weapons. The last proposed revision specifies that an inspection of lockers and cars parked on Collin's campuses can be conducted when there is reasonable cause to believe there is a weapon in violation of this policy.

GFA (Local) Conduct on College District Premises

is modified to refer to the Employee Code of Conduct, the Student Conduct policy and to the new policy regarding Carrying Concealed Handguns on Campus for the definition of weapons prohibited on college premises.

**DISTRICT PRESIDENT'S
RECOMMENDATION:**

The District President recommends the following Local Board Policies (Local) for consideration as a first reading.

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