BOARD OF EDUCATION BEEVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Date: October 20, 2009

Subject: Optional Flexible School Day Program (OFSDP)

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CONSENT AGENDA

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: A brief informational hearing was held on the district's application for the Optional Flexible School Day Program. The OFSDP is a program that the district may offer to provide flexible hours and days of attendance for students who have dropped out of school or are at risk of dropping out. One goal of the program is to target those students who are unable to attend school in a traditional setting, for example, because the students must seek employment to support their families or must provide child care during traditional school hours. Under these circumstances, the students might be able to attend school only during evening hours or for a couple of hours during the day. The second goal of the program is to offer students who are at risk of being denied credit for classes because of failure to meet attendance requirements the opportunity to recover that credit.

Students participating in an OFSDP may attend on a fixed or flexible schedule that does not meet the traditional 180-day, 5-days-per-week requirement. Typical OFSDP instructional arrangements include the following:

- Weekend or night classes
- Extended day classes
- Classes offered throughout the year
- Flexible schedules
- Credit recovery classes (These classes can be offered during the summer recess for students who have not earned a full ADA during the school year. A student cannot earn more than the equivalent of one ADA in a year.)

The district may also implement a study program for seniors who have completed the required course work but need additional tutoring to assist them in passing the TAKS test so that they may graduate and obtain their high school diploma.

ITEMS ADDRESSED:

Optional Flexible School Day Program

<u>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</u>

Approval of Optional Flexible School Day Program Application

BUDGETARY INFORMATION:

None