

MEETING DATE: September 17, 2018 AGENDA ITEM: Local Board Policy – FFAC (LOCAL) Wellness and Health Services-Medical Treatment PRESENTER: Lynn McKinney

ALIGNS TO BOARD PRIORITIES:

Safety – The District shall maintain a safe and orderly environment.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The current Board Policy FFAC (Local) allows for the district to maintain and administer unassigned epinephrine pens ("epi-pens") on campuses. Due to a new interpretation from the Department of State and Health Services about the state law permitting this policy, the Administration recommends deleting the provisions about unassigned epipens in Policy FFAC (Local), for the following reasons.

The current policy requires a local physician's written orders to allow our school nurses (specified in the doctor's orders) to assess for anaphylaxis and administer the epi-pen. The doctor that writes these orders for unassigned epi-pens for our district has expressed an unwillingness to write orders where someone other than a nurse would make the assessment for anaphylaxis and administer the epi-pen.

Due to the new interpretation, the resources needed to implement this policy (trained personnel, number/costs of epi-pens, storage/transport of epi-pens, administrative oversight of events/trained paid personnel) are currently unavailable and impractical as part of the daily operation of our schools.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATIONS: Consider approval of Board Policy FFAC (LOCAL) as revised, attached..

FISCAL NOTE: None

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS: Administration recommends approval of FFCA (LOCAL) as presented.