
MEMORANDUM

TO: Southwest Texas College Board of Trustees

FROM: Administration

SUBJECT: TASB Policy Update 50

DATE: 01/09/2026

Administration has reviewed the proposed TASB Policy Update No. 50. The update primarily updates our legal policy manual to comply with new legislation. In addition, the update includes recommended changes to our local policies to align with legal policy changes. For example:

BD (Local) modifies the posting requirement from 72 hours to three business days.

BCG (Local) modifies language to align with SB 37 regarding faculty councils

CDB (Local) modifies language to allow boards to designate higher capitalization limits (currently \$5,000)

CM (Local) modifies language to allow boards to increase construction bidding thresholds from \$50,000 to \$100,000 or higher in compliance with changes in State Law

DC (Local) modifies hiring practices to comply with DEI prohibitions

DGC (Local) modifies free speech on campus policies

DJA (Local) incorporates the remote work restrictions

These represents a highlight of the major changes to local policies; the complete list of changes is attached.

TASB recommends that the board review the Legal frameworks issued by TASB and adopt the local policies with the following suggested motion

"I move that the board add, revise, or delete local policies as recommended by TASB Community College Services and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 50."