

**TASB POLICY UPDATE 79 LOCAL POLICES**  
**March 13, 2007**

**SUMMARY:**

The Board will consider a first reading approval on TASB Policy Update 79 Local policies:

- BDAA(LOCAL)-Officers & Officials: Duties and Requirements of Board Officers
- BDB(LOCAL)-Board Internal Organization: Internal Committees
- BJA(LOCAL)-Superintendent: Qualification and Duties
- BJCD(LOCAL)-Superintendent: Evaluation
- CH(LOCAL)-Purchasing and Acquisition
- DFBB(LOCAL)-Term Contracts: Nonrenewal
- EHAC(LOCAL)-Basic Instructional Program: Required Instruction (Secondary)
- EHBL(LOCAL)-Special Programs: High School Equivalency

**PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:**

The Board discussed these policies in workshop on February 13, 2007.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Update 79 covers recent statutory and regulatory changes and encompasses remaining provisions of HB1, new Commissioner's rules regarding "School FIRST", new State Board of Education rules regarding physical activity programs and parent education on dyslexia and new Texas Ethics Commission rules regarding political advertising.

**SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:**

The district must have school policies that are consistent with current laws and appropriately communicate local policy issues. Policies are classified as either "Legal" or "Local" in design. A "Legal" policy is a statement of existing law or of binding legal decisions and as such do not require Board approval. Local policies are decisions made at the local level that reflect district decisions and practices and do require approval. Legal policies are always included in updates so local policy development occurs within the context of binding law.

**BENEFIT OF ACTION:**

To allow the Board to evaluate and ensure that these policies reflect the practices of the District.

**PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:**

The Board will review the proposed change in workshop setting and then formally conduct two readings with the second requesting final approval.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

The following options are available to the Board:

- continue to study the policy
- modify the existing language
- approve policies as written and submitted by TASB

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:**

For the Board to approve on first reading the adoption of TASB Policy Update 79 Local policies as submitted

**PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:**

Ray Braswell, Superintendent  
Randy Stout, DISD Legal Advisor

**ATTACHMENT:**

The proposed changes to Local policies are attached.

Signature of Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments: \_\_\_\_\_