

College Station Independent School District

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MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Clark Ealy, Superintendent

From: Greg McIntyre, Deputy Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

Date: March 12, 2015 Subject:

Policy Update 101

Agenda Item: H-2

Board Priority/ Priorities A, B and C; Goals 1-5 District Goal:

BACKGROUND

At a recent School Board Workshop, Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Policy Update 101 was presented for discussion. This update provides the legal and local policy updates recommended by TASB.

Update 101 incorporates recent changes to the Administrative Code on topics including board member training, school nutrition policies, secondary curriculum requirements, promotion and retention, and reporting child abuse and neglect, as well as revisions to the legally referenced policies on employee contracts. Local policy recommendations in Update 101 address issues such as board meetings, acceptance of electronic bids or proposals for district purchases, the authority to approve school closures and variations to the school calendar, and a recent commissioner of education decision that prompted changes to all three of the local policies addressing grievances.

As with each update we receive, the legal policy updates are governed by current law or court rulings, so the district is bound to include them in its policy. The local policy updates are designed to provide clarification to the legal policies and to provide the Board appropriate discretion as decisions are made regarding the school district.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the CSISD Board of Trustees approve TASB Policy Update 101 as presented.

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